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## Laos prospect

THE long-awaited appeal for a ceasefire in Laos has been made. There will be a certain amount of satisfaction that the three-stage British formula has at last been accepted and acted upon by Russia. When it was first suggested last month there was some reluctance to agree to the ceasefire. It seems pretty clear now that Moscow was holding up a decision on this issue to allow the reinforced and heavily armed left-wing insurgents to gain as much ground as possible. Moscow's probable line of reasoning was that as long as the left-wing groups were allowed to gain a decided advantageous position in time for the international conference aimed at settling the political future of Laos, it did not matter when the ceasefire appeal was issued. Russia was simply playing for time and her tactics have paid off well. There is now no question of a neutral Laos government not having representatives of the Pathet Lao; the only question is how many, and whether the West will be able to accept their demands without seriously compromising the neutral character of the Government.

THE chances of Prince Boun Oum remaining premier are nil. He will be lucky to keep a seat on the cabinet. It is almost certain that if a compromise is possible, Souvanna Phouma will take up the figurehead post of Premier—as he has in the past—us he is manipulated by his half-brother Prince Souphanouvong from behind the scenes. It seems the West has no other choice—unless it decides on a continuation of fighting which would probably end eventually in stalemate—or worse.

The future for Laos is not very bright, therefore, even though the restoration of peace will be generally welcomed. The action of the last few months is a typical Communist manoeuvre. Laos was not worth a long drawn-out war and Moscow and Peking are obviously satisfied with an arrangement that will leave the country neutral and yet sympathetic to whatever approaches they make. Moreover the U.S. is hardly likely to continue its \$45 million a year subsidy to the army of such a government and this is a vacuum the Communists are bound to fill.

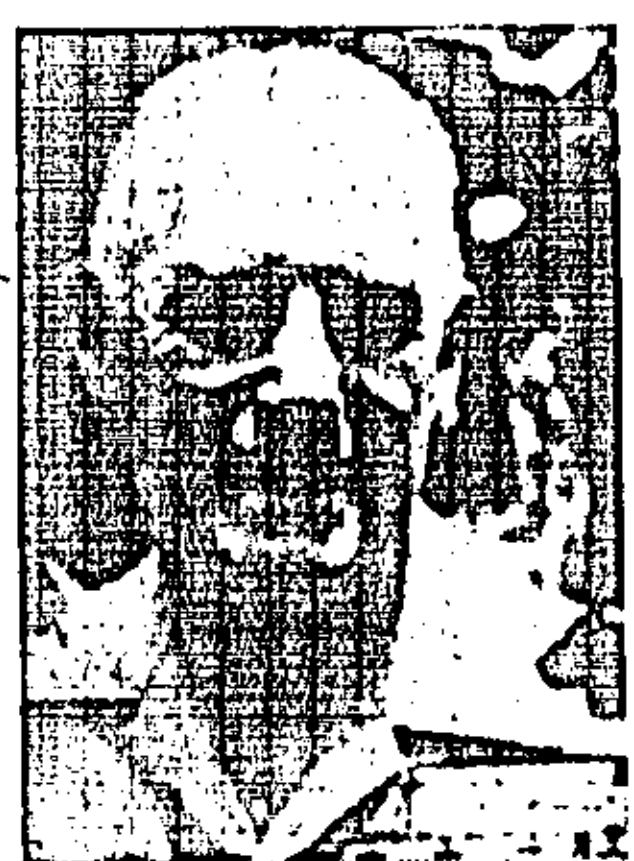
THUS the ceasefire appeal comes as something of an anti-climax. The West has not been very clever about the way it has gone about guaranteeing the country's neutrality. Partly this is the fault of the Republicans who objected to Pathet Lao representation in the government. This left Prince Souphanouvong and his men a discontented minority in the northern jungles asserting themselves by staging periodic crises. But the threat they constituted was not taken very seriously.

The only hope is that the West can profit from this lesson, and that it can somehow manage to keep Laos from falling completely into the Communist orbit. Here surely is another pertinent example of a situation President Kennedy described in his speech to American editors quoted here yesterday: "our security may be lost, piece by piece, country by country without the firing of a single missile or the crossing of a single border."

# Loyalist troops take over from rebels ALGIERS REVOLT ENDS

## Insurrection leaders disappear after surrender broadcast

Algiers, Apr. 26.  
The four-day generals' revolt against President Charles de Gaulle collapsed early today as suddenly as it began.



General Salan

### Veteran vehicles outing

Brighton, Apr. 25.  
A 1914 run tractor, a veteran fire engine, a bus, a lorry and other vintage machines mingled with holiday crowds on the busy London to Brighton road. The veterans, all belonging to members of the Historic Commercial Vehicles Club, drove from the British Transport Commission's museum at Clapham, London, to Brighton where they paraded along the seaford and held a coach rally.

### Duke's plane has icing trouble

Freelance, Apr. 25.  
The Duke of Kent's crimson aircraft of the Queen's Flight developed serious icing trouble. It was learned here today. The Duke is here as the Queen's representative at independence celebrations. A reliable source said that the trouble occurred when the plane was over Madrid on the second leg of the journey, from Bordeaux to Gibraltar. The source said that the icing continued for another 10 minutes the plane would have had to return to Bordeaux. The 25-year-old Duke attends a display of traditional dancing here tonight as this 150-year-old British Colony makes final preparations for its independent bow.—Reuter.

### Army to put on show in West End

London, Apr. 25.  
The British Army is to stage a one-night comedy at a London West End theatre at the beginning of next month, the War Office announced. The winners of the first Army Drama Festival, No. 4 Training Regiment, Royal Engineers, are to present "Haul for the Shore" by Jean McDonnell at the Scala theatre on May 1. Many army teams took part in the competition aimed at stimulating interest in the theatre among soldiers.—China Mail Special.

Government troops, kept out of the city by the insurgents for four days, took over almost without a fight. The fate of the four leaders of the revolt was not known. General Maurice Challe and General Raoul Salan left their headquarters by car for an unknown destination at 1 am but the whereabouts of the other two insurgent leaders was a mystery. In Paris a spokesman at the Ministry of Information said Salan and Challe had "escaped." He said he did not know where to and he had no further information. General de Gaulle, who fought back against the revolt with iron determination, conferred in Paris with his ministers on how to handle the aftermath. The revolt collapsed within the space of half an hour after a day filled with rumours.

### Withdrawal

The majority of the paratroopers who had occupied the centre of the city since early on Saturday withdrew to the suburbs—although some of their number remained in the Forum, Algiers' main square. The loyal General de Gaulle stood over the radio station, which changed hands in a drama-packed half hour shortly before midnight.

A group of loyal officers flew to In-Salah, in the desert, for the Transport Minister Robert Buron and Algerian Commander-in-Chief General Fernand Gamblez, who had been held prisoner there by the insurgents. Fighting broke out in the streets as the paratroopers pulled out their trucks rumbling through avenues alive with tension.

It was believed that most of these involved were civilians, but some paratroopers who remained behind appeared to be clashing with police.

### Appeals for calm

Algiers radio, once more under the control of the Government, broadcast appeals for calm. "It is all over. Go home," an announcer said emotionally. But his appeals fell on deaf ears. Thousands thronged the streets to watch Government troops take over key buildings. Shots rang out but it was not known who fired them.

The collapse of the revolt ended four days of the greatest tension France has known since World War II. Even as the paratroopers were withdrawing from Algiers, police were guarding key points throughout France against a possible landing in the homeland itself.

Airports were closed to prevent the paratroopers flying in and attack Paris. But the precautions instituted Sunday night when the threat of an attack was very real, were not necessary.

General de Gaulle called Prime Minister Michel Debre, acting Interior Minister Roger Frey and Algerian Affairs Minister Louis Nogué into session at the Elysee Palace office.

### No communiqué

No communiqué was issued. There was no official Government reaction to the news that the threat to the President's power had been overcome. The President himself went to bed at 2 am.

What would happen to the rebel generals and colonels who led the paratroop revolt in a vain effort to keep Algeria in French hands was not immediately clear. All four generals, the head of the revolt—Salan, Challe, Edmond Jouhaud and Marie-Andre Zeller—have already been stripped of their rank by General de Gaulle.



General Challe

The President has also decreed that they shall be punished under the laws of France for having put Frenchmen against Frenchmen.

Informal sources in Paris said they would probably be arrested and brought to the capital to face trial there—possibly for treason. The penalty for such a crime is death under the guillotine.

### Coming to climax

Throughout the day signs had been building up that the revolt was coming to a climax. But as late as 8 pm it was still not clear what that climax was going to be.

Organised paratroopers pulled out of the cities of Oran and Constantine during the morning, their places being taken by troops loyal to General de Gaulle.

As they did so word came from France that the Mediterranean Fleet had weighed anchor at its Toulon base and was steaming to an undisclosed destination—presumably Algeria.

General de Gaulle, in an order of the day to troops of the French army everywhere, ordered them to put down the revolt "by every means—including force of arms if necessary."

As night wore on Algiers radio, still in insurgent hands, broadcast a call for all citizens of Algiers to go to the Forum. Half an hour later the station's programme of martial music came to an abrupt halt.

### A pause

There was a pause, then the regular announcer took over with the announcement that the station was "resuming normal transmission." "The revolt was already practically over."

At least seven persons were believed to have died in the revolt, although the exact total was not clear. The seven were believed to have been shot in clashes between paratroopers and troops loyal to General de Gaulle when the insurgents first staged their coup last Saturday.—UPI.

## £500 tote ticket recovered

Birmingham, Apr. 24.  
A frantic search in a litter bin brought a woman rigger a reward of nearly £500 here at the weekend. The woman had thrown away her win totalisator ticket on Sunburst Rose, a 20-1 chance, after the horse had finished second to the favourite, Avea la Table. But after an objection, the race was awarded to Sunburst Rose. The woman eventually did find her ticket, and duly collected £500.—China Mail Special.

## American astronaut rocket explodes

Cap Canaveral, Apr. 25.  
A U.S. "rocket" carrying a robot "astronaut" toward a planned orbital trip around the earth exploded in smoke and flames today less than a minute after it was launched.

The space cabin was automatically ejected from the falling rocket and fell back into the Atlantic by parachute. Observers on the Cape said that from all appearances a man could have survived the mishap.

Today's shot was similar to one which the Russians succeeded in carrying out earlier this month with a human Gagarin made one pass around the globe in a Russian space cabin and was safely returned to earth.

### DESTROYED

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announced that the Atlas missile carrying the Mercury capsule was destroyed after about 40 seconds of flight, and that the spacecraft was separated from the booster by its escape system "which apparently worked satisfactorily."

The announcement indicated that a malfunction developed in the rocket and that it was destroyed by the range safety officer. Today's shot was to have paved the way for the free world's first manned space flight, possibly some time early next month. It was not determined how today's failure would affect that schedule.

Next month's shot, however, would employ a Redstone, rather than an Atlas missile. The Redstone shot will be a sub-orbital flight and will carry a human astronaut.

A helicopter successfully recovered today's space capsule from the ocean and flew it back onto the Cape about 20 minutes after the explosion.

### BLACK BOXES

The helicopter landed in an area on the northeast side of the Cape and deposited the capsule on the ground. Scientists immediately went to work on it.

The "mechanical astronaut" consisted of, according to one expert, "a bunch of little black boxes painted grey" situated in the base of the capsule where a live astronaut will ride later on a special couch.

The piece of machinery was known officially as a "recoveryman" and its job was to imitate the breathing and blood circulation of a human being. It was designed to "breathe in" oxygen and "exhale" carbon dioxide, and to simulate body heat.—UPI.

### ARMED 'PRIEST'

Lyons, Apr. 25.  
French police looking for militant rightwingers said they discovered one here tonight—in clerical garb. The "priest" was carrying a hidden place where, they said, there was a storehouse of arms.—Reuter.

## Britain recognises Dutch sovereignty in N. Guinea

London, Apr. 25.  
The Foreign Office spokesman said tonight Britain recognises the Netherlands as the sovereign power in West New Guinea.

He said he was reiterating a statement to this effect made by Commander Allan Noble, then Minister of State in the

## PORNOGRAPHIC BOOKS SEIZED IN COLONY

The police recently seized about 8,000 copies of pornographic books in English on both sides of the harbour. They were thought to be translations from banned books which enjoyed wide circulation in France and other countries abroad.

Also seized with the pocket books were about 1,000 printing blocks of pages probably made from

the originals or copies of originals. The police made the seizure in Causeway Bay, and in Shek Kip Mei.

As the books were printed in English in Hongkong, it was assumed that they were intended to be sold to local college students.

A number of people were detained for questioning by the police. However, police enquiries are still going on.

## BOTH SIDES AGREE TO CEASEFIRE IN LAOS

London, Apr. 25.

The Royal Laotian Government and the Communist Pathet Lao accepted today the joint Anglo-Russian appeal for a ceasefire between their opposing forces, official announcements said.

Both sides in Laos conflict notified agreement to order their forces to halt hostilities as a first move towards a proposed peace settlement at a full dress 14-nation peace conference in Geneva on May 12.

The Royal Laotian acceptance came in a note to the British Government. The official Soviet agency Tass said Pathet Lao leader Prince Souphanouvong soon agreed for the Communists.

### Red proposal

The Communists proposed that the legal Laotian Government headed by Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma immediately convene a meeting of the three sides concerned in Laos, to decide on a ceasefire and regulation of the cessation of hostilities.

The three sides include the ruling Laos regime of Prince Boun Oum, the neutralist faction led by ex-Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma, and the Communist Pathet Lao.

Prince Souvanna Phouma at the same time announced his support for the Anglo-Russian Laos settlement plan. In an announcement, broadcast by Tass from Hanoi he called for the three Laos parties to send representatives to Khouang (in central Laos) on April 20 to discuss the revamping of the Laos Government.

In London the Foreign Secretary, Lord Home, told the House of Lords that an "actual ceasefire" in Laos was expected within the next few days. Lord Home added that the United States "are working as hard as we are now for a political settlement" in embattled Laos.

Lord Home in his statement today made it clear that the mission have to supervise the ceasefire as well as "keep an eye on the importation of arms from the outside."

Both the United States and Britain have served notice they will attend the Geneva conference only if the ceasefire is duly "verified" by the supervisory commission.

The next move is for the two conflicting sides in Laos to agree on a date and hour for their forces to ceasefire on the Laos battle fronts.

This procedure was expected to take a few days. Lord Home cautioned in his statement at the House of Lords today that the prospects of a conference would be "endangered" if there was any doubt about the "urgency or sincerity" of either side of the ceasefire.

Earlier today, the Royal Laotian Government informed Britain formally that its army is ready to that effect.—UPI.

### LINER AGROUND

Southampton, Apr. 25.  
The 21,717-ton Cunard liner Inverna went aground in Southampton Water today shortly after leaving the port for Montreal with 455 passengers aboard. Nine tugs summoned by radio messages were trying to tow her free.—China Mail Special.

## 2.26 inches of rain fell

A cold surge passing through Hongkong brought a thunderstorm with 2.26 inches of rain and a sharp drop of 16.3 degrees in temperature early this morning.

At 3 am today, a cold surge from the north passed through the Colony, replacing the warm southerly air stream by a cooler, drier air stream from the north-east.

During its passage, over two inches of rain were recorded which, at its maximum intensity, was falling at the rate of over five inches per hour. This brings the total rainfall this month so far up to 0.78 inches against an average of 5.36 inches for the whole month.

### MAIN REASON

The Observatory spokesman said that during the past few days, Hongkong has been under the influence of a warm and humid air stream from the south which has been the main reason for the recent thundery activity. Since a thundery shower broke out on the afternoon of Sunday, a total of 4.00 inches of rainfall has been recorded at the Observatory.

This thundery activity has not been confined to Hongkong but has been fairly widespread over South China. The maximum temperature yesterday, 84.7 degrees F, was recorded at midnight last night. At 8 am today, however, the temperature dropped to a low of 81.4 degrees.

It is expected to rise during the day to about 75 to 78 degrees, said the Observatory spokesman. During the night, the temperature will drop again, he said.

## U.S. to use UK missile range

London, Apr. 25.

An American Corporal missile battalion will use a British missile range in the Hebrides Islands, off the northwest coast of Scotland, for two weeks in June, the Ministry of Defence announced tonight.

"In lending its range facilities to the American unit, the British Army will extend its co-operation to provide certain equipment and support personnel," the official ministry statement said.

The ministry said it was "in accordance with the principles of interdependence that one Nato country should make available to another Nato country any spare capacity it has on its ranges."

The ministry said periodic practice missile firing was "a routine training requirement." "Previously all U.S. Army missile units in Europe were required to travel to the United States to conduct practice firings," the ministry announcement ended.

The Corporal, made by the Firestone Tyre and Rubber Company, is a comparatively short range surface-to-surface tactical bombardment rocket powered by a liquid propellant.

It can be fitted with nuclear or conventional high explosive warhead and has range of from 75 to 100 miles. Its speed at burn-out is Mach 3.—Reuter.

### SHIPS IDLE

London, Apr. 25.  
Thirty ships were idled in London Docks tonight as 2,000 longshoremen staged a wildcat strike to protest against the employment of part-time labour.—AP.







# Strongly support goal of a neutral Laos Kennedy and Sukarno talks in Washington

## Offer of top level economic team

Washington, Apr. 25. President Kennedy and President Sukarno of Indonesia said in a joint communique today they "strongly and unreservedly support the goal of a neutral and independent Laos".

The communique was issued shortly after President Sukarno had paid a farewell call on Mr. Kennedy at the White House this morning. The Indonesian leader arrived here yesterday for talks with the President and was flying today to Mexico City.

The Indonesian leader spent 20 minutes with the President this morning. He arrived here yesterday for talks on Indonesia's dispute with the Netherlands over Dutch New Guinea (West Irian) and other problems.

### Arm in arm

The two presidents walked together, arm in arm, for part of the way, from Mr. Kennedy's office to the helicopter on the south lawn of the White House. They held an earnest discussion and, when President Sukarno had seated himself in the helicopter, held another whispered conversation before the craft took off.

The communique made no mention of the dispute between Indonesia and the Netherlands over Dutch-ruled West New Guinea under the name of West Irian. Dr. Sukarno, the Indonesian Minister, said last night that the two presidents had held a lengthy discussion of the problem and that he was staying behind in Washington to discuss possible solutions to the dispute.

### Comments

The communique made the following comments on issues other than Laos:

1. The two presidents welcomed the opportunity to renew their friendship and reaffirm the spirit of co-operation and confidence between their countries.
2. They welcomed the newly-found freedom of many countries in Asia and Africa. Agreed that their genuine aspirations could be fulfilled through mutual co-operation within and without the United Nations, and recognized that they must be alert to any attempts to subvert their cherished freedom by means of imperialism "in all its manifestations".
3. President Kennedy offered to provide the services

of a top level economic team to assist Indonesia's eight-year development plan.

4. The two presidents expressed gratification at the high degree of co-operation between their countries, an example of which was the visit to Indonesia of the hospital ship, the S.S. Hope.

5. Both agreed that the successful conclusion of a nuclear test ban treaty, while not in itself a solution to the problem of disarmament, would be a first and most significant step.—Reuter.

## Americans and Russians celebrate

Torgau, Apr. 25. Two American ex-servicemen and 11 Russians got together here today to celebrate the 16th anniversary of the Soviet-American link-up across the Elbe River.

The two Americans, Joseph Polowsky of Chicago, and Leroy Hamilton, a Red Indian from Colorado, were both members of the patrol which took part in the link-up here in 1945, but none of the Russian patrol turned up.

After speeches of goodwill at the Soviet war memorial here, the Russians—one ex-serviceman and 10 soldiers—went with the Americans to a reception given by the local town council.—Reuter.

## U.S. embargo against Cuba

Washington, Apr. 25. The White House said today the United States was considering a total trade embargo against Cuba but no decision had been reached.—Reuter.

## DISCIPLINE IN BRITISH PRISONS TO BE REVIEWED

London, Apr. 25. Discipline in British prisons is being reviewed by the Home Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, and the Prison Commissioners following disturbances at several prisons.

Mr. Butler told questioners in the House of Commons that the "whole question of discipline" was under review.

He had been asked for a statement about trouble at Walton Prison, Liverpool, where seven prisoners picked up chairs in a workshop and broke windows.

Other prisoners downed tools and 240 men sat down in the exercise yard until ordered to return to prison.

This followed trouble at Maidstone, Shrewsbury, Wandsworth and Lincoln prisons.

Some of the protests have been against the quality of the food and over-crowding.

In many prisons, men sleep three in a cell.

Mr. Butler said the police were preferring charges against one prisoner at Walton following a small fire in the carpenter's shop.

Seven other prisoners who caused damage had been recommended for interview by a committee which visits prisons. Others had been punished by the governor.

Mr. Eric Fletcher (Labour) asked Mr. Butler if the disturbances at Walton and other prisons did not indicate something seriously wrong with staffing and conditions.

Mr. Butler said he did not think there was anything fundamentally wrong with staffing, which in most cases was all right. What was wrong was overcrowding.

He was looking into the whole position.—China Mail Special.

## FLOODS REPORTED AROUND CANTON

Peking, Apr. 25. Heavy rains are causing floods in the south China provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, the People's Daily reported today.

The newspaper said large numbers of people were being mobilised for anti-flood work along the Siang and Peikang Rivers and their tributaries, which form part of the Pearl River system flowing through Canton.

Heavy rain has also fallen in Hunan Province, north of Kwangtung, since the middle of April and flood control operations have started in the Chen-shu area.

Train and air services between Peking and Canton were disrupted this week.

The People's Daily reported drought was continuing along the middle and lower reaches of the Yellow River. In North China, where little rain has fallen this spring, "incomplete statistics about three million people are taking part in anti-drought work and irrigation in the provinces of Shantung, Hopei, Shansi and Shensi". The newspaper reported.—Reuter.

## Israeli ambassador to Japan one of Eichmann's victims

Jerusalem, Apr. 25. Israel's present ambassador in Tokyo, Mr. Kurt Levin, was named at the Adolf Eichmann trial here today as one of the victims of an anti-Jewish reign of terror in Germany that followed the "Crystal Night" in 1938—when Jewish property was attacked and smashed up.

Mr. Levin was arrested by the Nazis after the "crystal night" attacks, Mr. Benno Cohen, chairman of the Zionist Organisation in pre-war Berlin, told the court.

The night of wholesale destruction was given its name because of the number of shattered windows of Jewish stores in Germany that were broken following the assassination of a councillor at the German Embassy in Paris, Ernst von Rath.

Mr. Cohen said: "At six in the morning I was told... a group of people were smashing up my office... I found the whole place a shambles."

He said he heard that a personal friend of his—Mr. Kurt Levin, today Israel's Ambassador to Japan—had been arrested. "I decided not to insist a similar fate would await me," he added.

### Official

Mr. Cohen said that among those who helped the German Jews during the Nazi era "one man stood out above all others"—the (unnamed) passport official at the British consulate in Berlin.

This Briton "rescued thousands of Jews from the jaws of death" during the reign of terror. He enabled large numbers of Jews to emigrate to Palestine, said Mr. Cohen.

Eichmann, 55-year-old former SS colonel, who is accused of mass murder of Jews, took occasional notes as he sat impassively between his two brawny police guards. He has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

### Whipped

Another witness who gave evidence today was Zindel Gruenspan, 75, father of the youth who shot Von Rath.

He said he wrote to his son, Herschel, who was living in Paris, after the rest of the family had been deported to Poland by SS men who whipped them and ordered them to run as they crossed the border a few days before the shooting.

When the trial, which is now in its third week, resumed today the judges agreed to hear an affidavit made by SS Major Dieter Wislency, a few months before he was executed in Czechoslovakia in 1949 for war crimes.

The affidavit, which was read by Mr. Gideon Hausner, Israeli Attorney General, said Wislency and Eichmann had been on close terms and in 1942 Eichmann showed him a letter from Heinrich Himmler, the supreme security and police chief.

### Annihilation

This said "the Fuehrer has decided that the final solution of the Jewish question is to start immediately. I designate the chief of the security police (Reinhard Heydrich) and the inspector of the concentration camps as responsible for the execution of this order."

(The security and police organs under Heydrich included the Gestapo (secret police). Eichmann was head of the Gestapo Department of Jewish Affairs.)

"Eichmann then told me that the 'final solution' means the biological annihilation of the Jewish people," Wislency's affidavit continued.

"I said... 'may God forbid that our Jews should ever do anything similar to the German people.'"

Wislency stated that Eichmann replied: "Don't be sentimental—this is an order of the Fuehrer."

Mr. Hausner said the affidavit declared that the order was "a death warrant for millions of people... and the power to execute this order was in Eichmann's hands, subject to the approval of Heydrich."

### Torifying

Two witnesses, who met Adolf Eichmann when he was a rising star in the Gestapo, said he was a terrifying figure even in 1938.

They stood directly in front of him, as they gave evidence, and only a few feet away.

Eichmann stared at them through the glass walls of the prisoner's box. The right-hand corner of his mouth twisted into a grimace once or twice, but otherwise he showed no feeling while they talked about him.

This was the first time the jam-packed courtroom saw a picture of Eichmann, drawn from the first-hand experience of men who had to deal with him. They said he shouted, hurled vulgar language at them, and often threatened them with the concentration camps.

### Too near

And one said Eichmann coldly ordered him to move several yards away from the desk where he was sitting—that he was standing too near.

The witnesses were Dr. Benno Cohen, former official of the Jewish Community in Berlin in the 1930's, and Aaron Walter Lindenstrauss, ex-German lawyer who was directing Jewish immigration to Palestine during the same period.

Lindenstrauss told of a trip to Vienna, on orders of the Gestapo, and of a meeting with Eichmann in the Rothschild Palace where he had his headquarters. The witness said he did not know why he had been summoned. After a night under detention in a hotel, he said, he was taken to Eichmann's office.

"In the courtyard, hundreds of Jews were waiting in the rain," Lindenstrauss said. "They stood, very straight, like soldiers at attention."

They were afraid of every move they made."

He did not say what these people were waiting for. However thousands of Jews in Austria and Germany were trying to emigrate, and they needed certificates to go to Palestine.—Reuter & AP.

## THE QUEEN TO VISIT SARDINIA

London, Apr. 25. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will fly to Sardinia on Saturday on their way to their state visit to Rome in a Comet IV of British European Airways.

The Queen Mother returns to Britain from Decimomannu in the same aircraft after her visit to Tunisia.

The Queen's flight back to London from Turin on May 9 will also be made in a Comet.—Reuter.

## Blacklisted

Damascus, Apr. 25. The Arab League boycott of Israel Central Office announced on Tuesday, it had blacklisted the 7,230-ton US cargo ship "Santa Venetia" for violating Pan-Arab boycott regulations.

The Central Office statement said the vessel will be banned from all Arab ports.—AP.

## Ceylon orders death penalty for looters

Colombo, Apr. 25. The Ceylon Government has ordered the death penalty for looters as it sought to crush a separatist movement by the Island's Tamil minority.

The new order, issued under a state of emergency proclaimed last week, also decreed imprisonment for anyone caught setting up road blocks or damaging vehicles in the Tamil-speaking northern and eastern areas.

The Tamils, Hindus who migrated to Buddhist Ceylon from India, are waging a civil disobedience campaign to support demands that Tamil as well as Sinhalese be made an official language.

A communique on Tuesday reported new incidents of arson and road blocking in the trouble zones where troops are trying to keep order. Two buses were stoned in East Ceylon and mobs assaulted a truck driver in the North. Eight persons were arrested.—AP.

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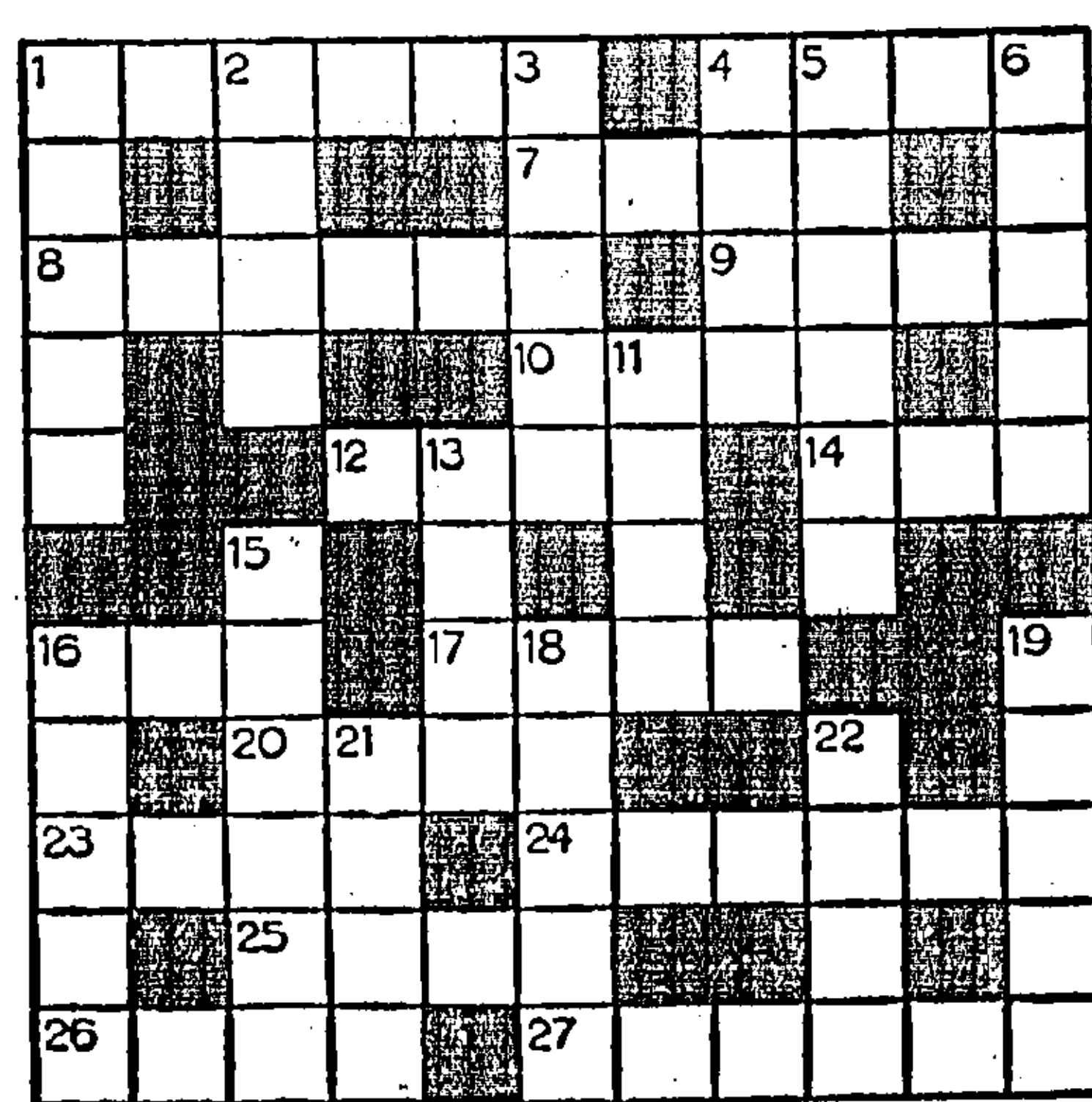
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## GIRARD-PERREGAUX WATCHES FOR THE BEAUTY QUEENS



The five beautiful European models who arrived in the Colony recently to stage the "G1 Paris Fashion Show" at the Ambassador Hotel posed gracefully with Girard-Perregaux watches on their wrists. Several GP creations specially designed to match their costumes were demonstrated by these beauty queens during the performance. Picture shows from left to right: Miss Austria (Luisa Köhmermayr), Miss Italy (Maria Grazia Jacomelli), Miss Germany (Ingrun Helgard Hoeckel), Miss Europe (Christina Spatzler) and Miss Franco (Yvonne Degremont).

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Put a bob on?
  - 4 No Sassanach.
  - 7 Fisherman's dance?
  - 8 Country.
  - 9 Frost.
  - 10 Naval bird?
  - 12 Princess.
  - 14 Get for a boy?
  - 16 Sum up.
  - 17 Works of notes.
  - 20 Rocks or plays.
  - 23 Fiddler!
  - 24 Bank clerk.
  - 25 Accept.
  - 26 Direction.
  - 27 Frolicked.
- DOWN**
- 1 Food for Francis.
  - 2 Sugar-slick!
  - 3 Tied.
  - 4 Withered.
  - 5 Ringing sounds.
  - 6 River.
  - 11 Study.
  - 12 Elf.
  - 13 Open and jumps.
  - 14 Taut.
  - 15 Flower.
  - 19 Exposed.
  - 21 Covering.
  - 22 Cricket boob!

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Ropes, 4 Sprink, 7 Bob, 8 Nimble, 11 Lido, 12 End, 13 Canticle, 15 Balcony, 16 Pot, 19 A-vow, 20 Proper, 23 Bin, 24 Swede, 25 Mewed, Down: 1 Runner-beans, 2 Elly, 3 Sol, 5 Ralse, 6 Good-natured, 8 Beta, 10 Mad, 13 Coo, 14 Nay, 16 Loose, 17 Nips, 18 Pop, 21 Him, 22 One.



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Damaged packages are to be left  
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10 a.m. on 28th April, 1961.

No Claims will be admitted after  
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after the 1st May, 1961 will be sub-  
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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Hongkong, 26th April, 1961.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**

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Peter Burgoyne's news from Britain

## RSPCA row over fox hunting

London. Perceptive foreigners often note that while Britain contents itself with a National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children it boasts at the same time a Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The incapable inference is that the British think more of their animals than of their children. This, of course, is not so. But there is no dodging the fact that by and large the British are much more outwardly emotional about their dumb friends than about their own offspring. For instance, many women who will send their children to the rigours of boarding school life with a stiffer upbraid than they could show in abandoning their pet dog to a leashing-out to kennel before going on holiday.

This goes a long way towards explaining why the RSPCA is such an important and well-supported body in Britain. But this week the RSPCA was given by a row which made the rest of headlines which—in Britain anyway—almost held their own with Castro and the Budget.

At a special meeting in London it found itself confronted by a demand from a section of its members to condemn fox hunting.

In the world the result of this might seem a foregone conclusion. But not in Britain where people, capable of almost mauling emotion over animals, can still put themselves out in the costume of a century ago and with horse and hounds pursue wretched foxes to their deaths.

Those who attacked fox-hunting did so hotly and eloquently, and Society members arriving to vote on the issue had to pass pickets wearing

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grotesque travesties of public hunting fire and carrying anti-hunting slogans.

But the champions of this ancient sport which has inspired so much good-living and bad art trotted out all the old arguments which have stood them in good stead these many generations. "Hunting is no more cruel than other methods of exterminating foxes... possible less so... it is an integral part of the British scene, and so on. When the votes came to be counted it was found that not enough of the members of the Royal Society which devotes its considerable energies to preventing cruelty to animals were prepared to condemn fox hunting.

And the world was left as mystified as ever about how the British mind works.

**No difference**

British Railways is not a money-making concern. British Railways is, in fact, a money-losing one on the grand scale.

That is why the British Transport Commission thought it worthwhile to hire an ICI director, Dr Richard Beeching, as Commission chairman at the astronomical (for Britain) salary of £24,000 a year.

This week Dr Beeching discovered he was not the only railwayman concerned about bringing in the money.

Travelling from his East Grinstead home to London he had left his travel pass at home.

"Then you'll have to buy another," said the collector.

"But I'm Dr Beeching," said the ticketless traveller.

"But the collector had his duty to do. "I'm sorry sir, it doesn't make any difference who you are. I'm afraid you'll have to pay up."

The £24,000-a-year Transport Commission boss paid up.

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**FILMS**  
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RITZ: "World by Night" with Jane Clark.  
ASTOR: "The Net" with Rossana Podesta.  
PARAMOUNT & WORLD: "Lost Lives" with Jacques Bernas.

**NIGHT SPOTS**  
CHAMPAGNE: The Balladines, dancing from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
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GOLDEN PHEONIX: Sing Lee Sing from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
MAJESTIC: Princess Anna, belly dancer, and music by Franco Trombetta and his Italian Combo.  
PARIR: The Five Kings from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
GRAND LUNCHEON: Sally Connors at the piano.  
LOBBE: The Hot Jazz Band.  
SHILOH: A girl-A guitar-A song.

# PEOPLE in the news

## Spain's richest man ends years-old legal battle

Move across the Iron Curtain and look at an equally powerful product of the capitalist system. He is Juan Alberto March y Ordinas, a Spanish millionaire who has been a mighty influence in power politics for the past 50 years; an influence which has earned him such unflattering titles as "a soul of the Middle Ages" and the "last pirate of the Mediterranean."

Born on the Balearic island of Majorca about 90 years ago, March started out on his extraordinary career with only £100 in his pocket—left him by his father, a peasant.

He used it to set himself up as a tobacco smuggler. Soon he was the biggest operator on the North Africa-Spain run; and was able to buy his own boats.

In World War I he became the richest man in Spain, selling oil to the Germans, food to the Allies.

Money made money. Either directly or through intermediaries, March came to control a bank, chemical companies, a brewery and steel plants.

**Royal living**

He backed Franco in the Spanish Civil War, using his personal fortune to buy arms from Germany and Italy.

Said March in one revealing moment: "I'm so rich that I don't even know how rich I am."

Twice-married March (two sons) now lives in royal style, with houses in Geneva, Madrid and Majorca, lavishly staffed with servants dressed in royal blue uniforms.

Moored in a Spanish port is an armed getaway vessel—just in case there is a revolution and March has to abdicate.

Such are the brief known facts about March. He is so publicity-shy that, but for the various financial lawsuits in which he has been involved, even those details would probably not have been revealed.

**Settlement near**

One such lawsuit has been going on for the past 15 years. Helmut's giant Sofina power syndicate is suing for around £5 million, following March's acquisition of its Spanish interests.

After costing some £1 million in legal fees, it looks like being finally settled out of court because Franco wants to maintain the good relationship with Belgium which resulted from the Baudouin-Fabiola wedding.

March is likely to agree to Franco's request to settle the suit—partly because he considers it has dragged on long enough, and partly because he, too, is anxious that Spain should be on good terms with other countries of Europe.

Such relations make for stability and the perpetuation of the March empire. At 90 no one wants to be a fugitive in a gunboat.

## THE LOWER LEVELS

by Rupert Ratchiffe

## JAPANESE HOLIDAY

A Hongkong couple has just wound up a brief sojourn in Japan—mostly cowering in bars and night clubs to avoid the shocking traffic.

During this brief brush with the latter-day Samurai, they learned quite a bit about the strange ways of life in the Land of the Cherry Blossom.

The twain put a lining on their tummies in the morning with several glasses of hot milk. However, in the plush, swank, luxurious hotel in which they flopped, they tried to get the milk served—in a large jug to keep it warm in between swigs.

However, this was apparently against the rules of something. Cold milk could be served in a jug—but not hot milk.

The formula for serving hot milk had been laid down "in glasses" and nothing would budge the slaves of management into changing the system to suit the every whim of a couple of itinerant palefaces.

**'Sando'**

Both were fond of midday snacks, but nowhere could they get half portions of sandwiches. For instance, they'd ask for half a portion of ham and half a portion of cheese—"sando"—but all they got were two vigorous denials that such could possibly be served. The lot or nothing.

This was tracked down to an inability to arrive at a correct price for half a portion—probably with thinking based on 610 promise of somebody being requested to serve half an apple or a quarter of an egg.

The husband, strangely enough, objected to the alleged "no tipping system" by which 10 per cent "service charge" is added to the bill.

He didn't object on the moral grounds that the unfortunate staff don't get their fair share of the tip, but just that which the idea of not being able to determine for himself how much he should tip.

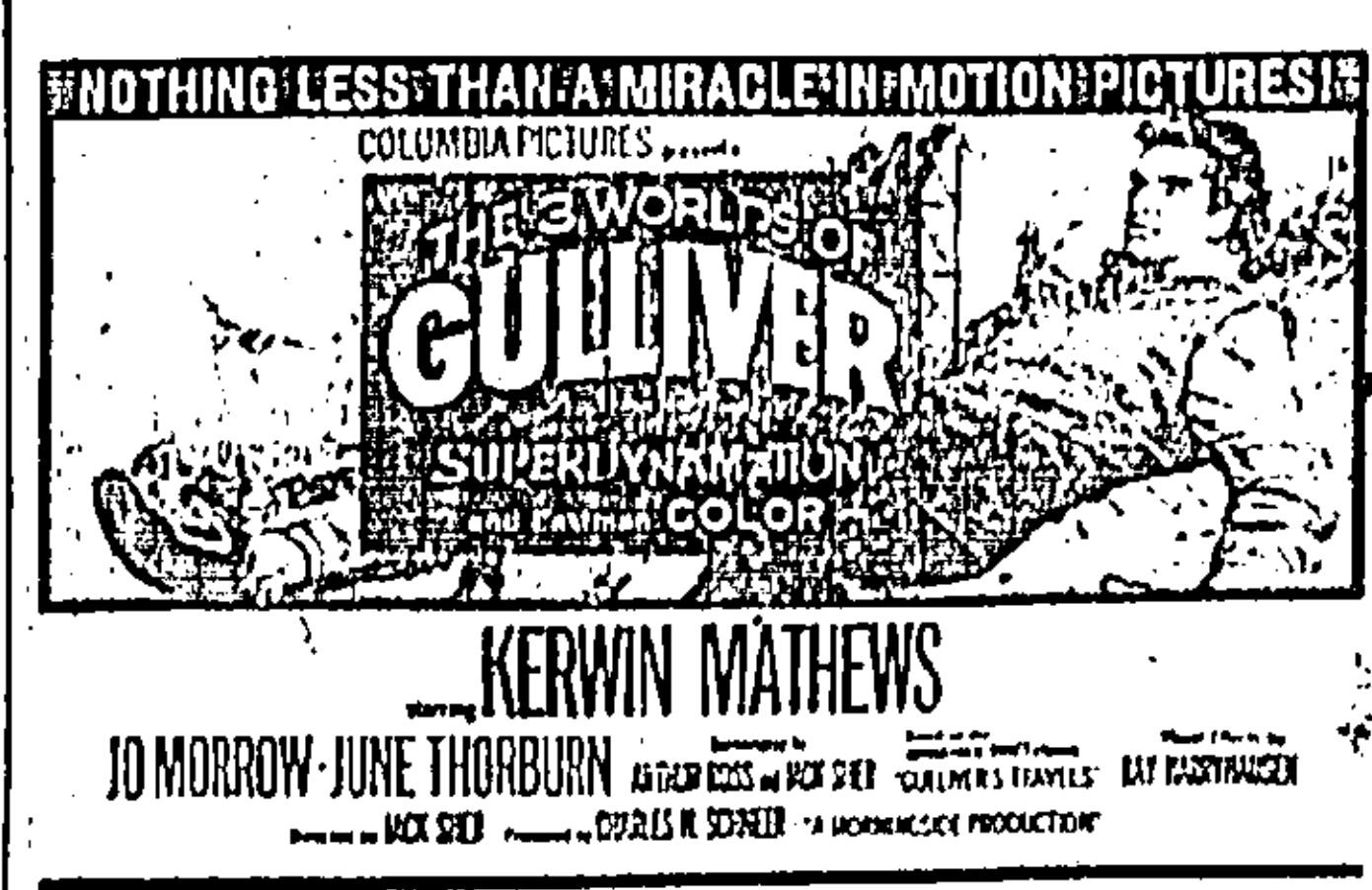
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12.15 pm. Signal, Diary: 1.15. Weather: 1.30. Time Signal: 1.45. News: 1.55. Weather: 2.00. The Ladies presented by Mary Collins: 2.15. Dance: 2.30. Weather: 2.45. Children's Corner—with Auntie Mary: 2.55. Artists of Distinction: 3.20. Big Band: 3.35. News: 3.45. Headlines: 3.55. News: 4.00. Close.

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Noon, in Lighter Mood. (Repeat): 12.30 pm. Local Gold Rate, Sing It Again. (Repeat): 1.15. News and Weather: 1.30. Day's A. Laugh. (Repeat): 2.00. Time: 4.15. Tea Dance: 4.45. Operation Moon. (Repeat): 5.00. Corner—presented by Barry Hunt: 5.30. Sing It Again: 5.45. Anything Goes—with Mike Riley: 6.15. Parade: 6.30. Sing It Again: 6.45. You Said It! Presented by John Sheppard: 7.00. News: 7.15. Announcements and Interlude: 7.30. Music in The Air: 7.45. Music Show: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News: 9.30. News: 9.45. News: 10.00. News: 10.15. News: 10.30. News: 10.45. News: 11.00. News: 11.15. News: 11.30. News: 11.45. News: 12.00. News: 12.15. News: 12.30. News: 12.45. News: 1.00. News: 1.15. News: 1.30. News: 1.45. News: 2.00. News: 2.15. News: 2.30. News: 2.45. News: 3.00. News: 3.15. News: 3.30. News: 3.45. News: 4.00. News: 4.15. News: 4.30. News: 4.45. News: 5.00. News: 5.15. News: 5.30. News: 5.45. News: 6.00. News: 6.15. News: 6.30. News: 6.45. News: 7.00. News: 7.15. News: 7.30. News: 7.45. News: 8.00. News: 8.15. News: 8.30. News: 8.45. News: 9.00. News: 9.15. News:



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## BRITISH GOVERNMENT PAYS \$2.6 MILLION FOR RENOIRS

*And experts are shocked at the price*

London, Apr. 25. The British Government is to give £163,500 (HK\$2.6 million) to help the National Gallery in London buy a pair of pictures by the French painter, Renoir.



Dancer with Tambourine

### New ocean terminal opened

Milford Haven, Apr. 25. When Mr Richard Wood, Minister of Power, opened the British Petroleum Company's new ocean terminal near here, he brought into operation one of the few installations in the world capable of handling 100,000-ton tankers.

At a luncheon later, Mr Wood said the new terminal was of "immense significance" for the future.

He predicted that if the British oil industry followed the trend for the Free World as a whole, British refineries should double their output by the early 1970's.

Mr M. R. Bridgeman, BP's chairman, said the company aimed at using tankers of 50,000 and 67,000 tons, but if the Suez Canal were deepened "we might be able to raise our sights a bit and build tankers of 70,000 tons or more."

The £6,500,000 terminal comprises a coastal strip of 140 acres.

The oil is pumped from the two mooring berths into storage tanks, and then it flows 50 miles through an underground pipeline to a refinery near Swansea. —China Mail Special.

Sydney, Apr. 25. American Negro singer Billy Daniels collapsed shortly before he was due to appear in a night club here today. His agent said he had received blood transfusions for a perforated duodenal ulcer and that his condition was serious. —Reuter.

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The paintings are "La Danseuse au Tambourin" and "La Danseuse aux Castagnettes". The model portrayed with the tambourin was a hair-dresser's assistant, Gergette Pigment, who is still alive.

When M. Gangnat saw her some time ago she recalled going with Renoir to buy the blue slippers which she wears in the painting.

For the portrait of the other dancer there were two models: for the head, an Italian called Maria, and for the body, a girl called Gabrielle, who was both Renoir's servant and his favourite model in his later years.

#### Very fine

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons: "These pictures, which were painted in 1909 by Renoir for his friend Maurice Gangnat, are very fine examples of the artist's later period, which at present is poorly represented in public collections in this country."

"In view of the exceptional importance of this acquisition I have decided to make a special Exchequer grant of £163,500 towards the cost."

He did not say what the total cost of the pictures was.

#### Six figures

A National Gallery spokesman said later he could not give any idea of the cost of the paintings except that it did not exceed six figures.

The balance of the purchase price is being met from National Gallery funds, but considerable assistance was expressed in the House of Commons.

The previous highest price paid in Britain for a Renoir was £72,000 for his "La Penelope" at the Goldschmidt sale in 1958. It is now owned by property magnate Mr Jack Cotton and hangs in his suite at the Dorchester Hotel.

#### Extraordinary

Said one art expert: "Assuming that the National Gallery has contributed only something like £1,500 from its own funds, £165,000 is a staggering price to pay for two late Renoirs. I'm amazed."

Commented another expert: "I think it's an extraordinary price to pay. It is highly unlikely that they would have fetched anything like that price at a sale."

It is generally agreed that Renoir painted his best

pictures in the 1880's for after 1900 he became increasingly crippled with arthritis and painted painfully with brushes strapped to his wrists. He died in 1919 when he was 78.

The paintings were bought from M. Philippe Gangnat, of Paris, son of M. Maurice Gangnat, who commissioned them.

The spokesman added that the pictures were painted on tall canvases, a little over five feet high by about two feet wide. They were considered to be an effective composition when hung side by side. Each picture is signed and dated "Renoir. '09."

#### Ardent

The two pictures were commissioned by the late owner's father, M. Maurice Gangnat, who was probably the most ardent of all collectors of Renoir's works.

They were painted in the summer of 1909 in Renoir's dining room in Paris, on either side of the fireplace with a mirror between them.

### Embargo no serious obstacle to trade

London, Apr. 25. Lord Lansdowne, Foreign Undersecretary, said today that British trade with the Sino-Soviet bloc was not appreciably impeded by items of strategic significance on the embargoed exports list.

The chief reason was the bloc's lack of sterling. "The list was kept constantly under review by Britain and her allies."

Lord Elibank, a Liberal peer, had suggested in the House of Lords that the embargoed list should be abolished apart from arms, munition, military equipment and machinery especially designed for their production. —Reuter.

### 'VICTORY OVER POVERTY'

London, Apr. 24. The Conservative Commonwealth Council has adopted "Towards victory over poverty" as the theme for its 1961 conference in London next weekend.

The council's development committee said today it has tabled a specialised paper dealing with the pressing question of insurance for private investors against political risks "often inseparable from investment in under-developed countries."

It envisages the formation of a Commonwealth guarantor institution.

A paper urging a "Colombo Plan" approach to the economic problems of Africa has also been tabled by the development committee. —China Mail Special.



Dancer with Castanets

### BBC mystery voice tells of 'cruel lie'

London, Apr. 25. A man and a woman, claiming to be "the voice of nuclear disarmament", were heard for some minutes on the BBC television sound wavelength after the programmes had closed down.

The broadcast was heard against a background of crackling noises.

The woman said, "On April 29, Parliament Square will be occupied by demonstrators sitting in the road, protesting in a manner which cannot be ignored, against nuclear weapons of mass destruction."

The man said, "We in the protest understand the simple truth—there is no real defence. What is said about civil defence is a cruel lie. It is a hoax intended to get you to die quietly."

Mr Michael Randle, secretary of the "Committee of 100", an anti-H-bomb group, said that anti-nuclear operators had set up a secret station in the northwest of London to publicise their cause on the BBC frequency after the BBC transmitter closed down.

They would limit their time on the air to about five minutes to battle monitoring systems. A BBC spokesman commented: "If these people are operating without a licence then it is a matter for the Post Office." —China Mail Special.

### Canadian appointed 'Queen's scientist'

Ottawa, Apr. 25. Dr. Michael W. Partington, a 34-year-old research fellow at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, has been named the first "Queen Elizabeth II scientist." It was announced today.

Partington will take up his new post on July 1 at the medical department of Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, where a permanent research unit will be established to work on problems such as mental deficiency and epilepsy in children.

The appointment was made by the board of trustees of the Queen Elizabeth II Fund to aid research on the diseases of children. The \$1 million fund was set up by the Federal Government two years ago to mark the Queen's cross-Canada tour. —UPI.

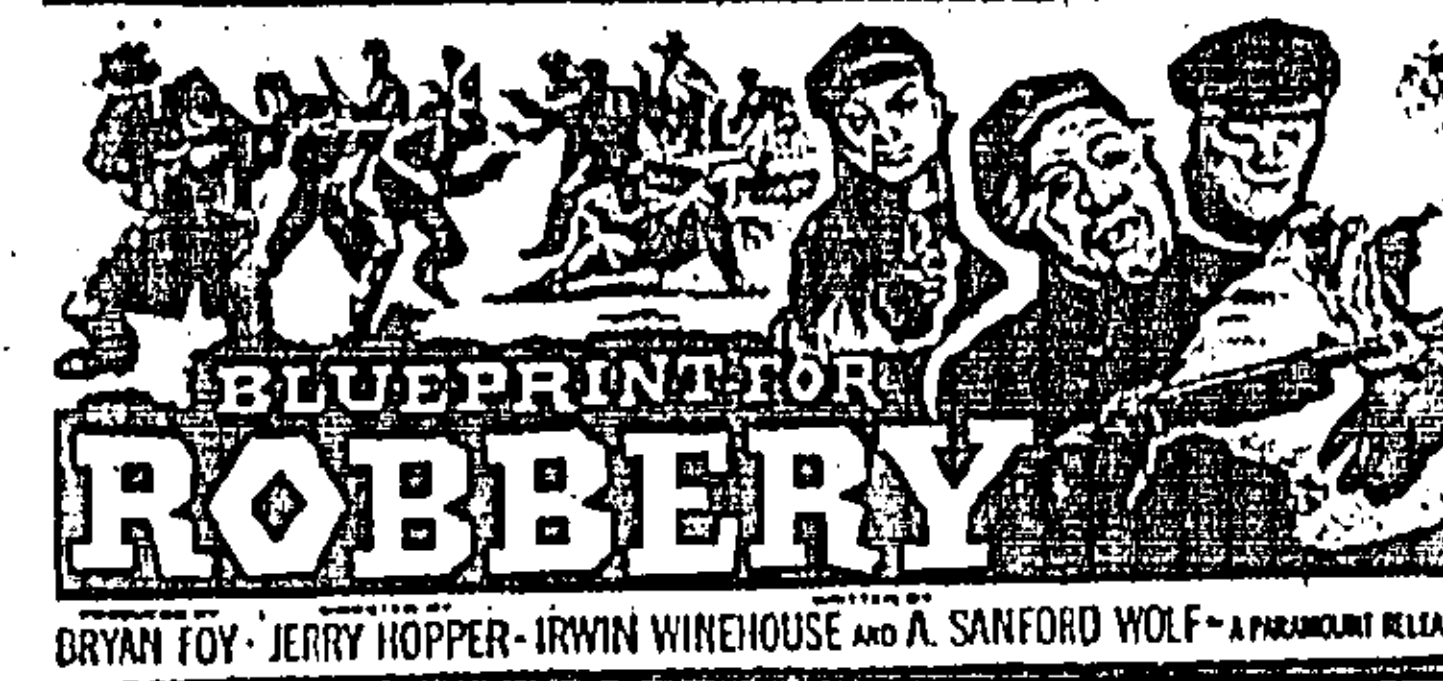
### Gina says 'No'

Rome, Apr. 25. Gina Lollobrigida flew into Rome today holding hands with her husband and smiling approvingly as he again denied any rift in their marriage. "I hope our being together like this is sufficient denial to the reports," said Milko Stofic, the film star's Yugoslav-born husband. The two arrived from Geneva. —AP.

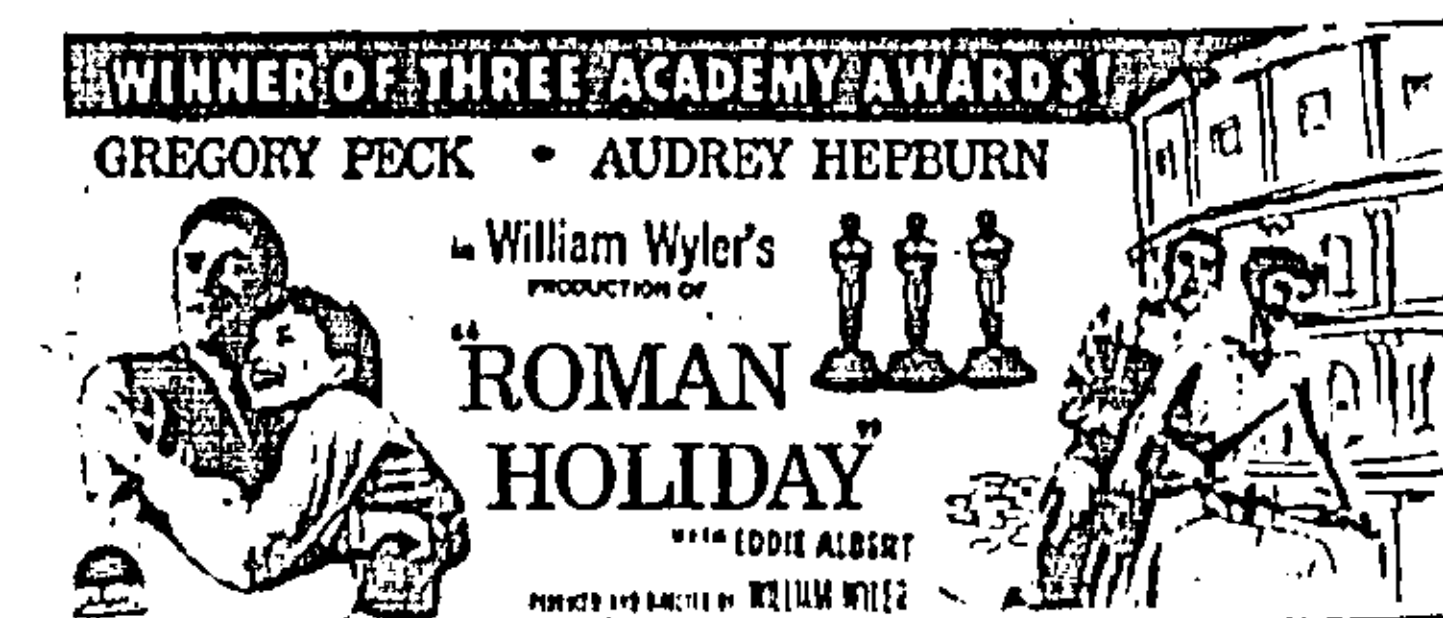
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# Now for the leap-frog to the moon!

AND THE AMERICANS COULD BE FIRST WITH A MAN THERE

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

A COMPLETE reappraisal of America's flagging rocket programme has been touched off by Russia's resounding win in the race into space.

From now on the accent will be on some means of leap-frogging over the Russians into a venture with which the Americans can recoup their reputation and morale by securing a commanding space "first".

The next cosmic breakthrough to catch the imagination of the world will be the first "soft" landing on the moon, which, according to the Russian programme, will be accomplished by unmanned robot rockets.

For this venture the Russians have released details of their objectives. They plan to soft-land a big rocket out of which will crawl Wellesian "tankettes"—caterpillar-tracked robots capable of reconnoitering the cratered lunar landscape.

## Close-ups

Goggling TV eyes will transmit to Russia close-up details of the moon. Instruments will relay the first reliable information about the lunar climate. From this information the Russians intend to build up to a manned moon landing as they built up data from robot satellites for Yuri Gagarin's historic flight into orbit.

There can be little doubt that the Russians have so much lead that they will notch up this further success. Where then can the Americans overtake them? I suggest that the Americans, perhaps with British help, could beat the Russians to the feat which will count most of all in the annals of space history—the landing of the first man on the moon.

An American team led by Werner von Braun, the ex-

German rocket scientist, is already far advanced with a colossal rocket, the Saturn, with far greater power than the missile which thrust Gagarin into space.

The first 520-ton model is scheduled to be ready to put a ton payload on the moon in three years' time. The bigger second version, about 700 tons, will need a service gentry almost as high as the Kremlin's 320-ft. bell-tower.

It could not a three-man space station round the moon from which repeated landings could be made.

The U.S. authorities may decide to cut out any robot moon flights and aim straight at a manned landing. In suggesting this I have in mind the catastrophic error which the British Government made on flight research after the war. Though pilots were clamouring to attack the unknown hazards of the sound barrier, chairborne advisers ruled that it was so dangerous that attempts should first be restricted to robots.

## Glory

To their everlasting glory, the Americans took the more courageous line and backed the let's-try-it pilots.

Result: they sailed through the exaggerated terrors of the sound barrier and left British fighter designers so far behind they have never caught up.

In spite of this lesson the Americans seem to have fallen into the same trap with their astronauts. They have played the venture safer than the

Russians, who found the return from orbit far easier than anticipated.

I suspect that the hazards of the moon flight, though immensely formidable, will prove to have been exaggerated.

Some British and U.S. scientists are claiming that prestige in space does not really count and that technical results from unmanned satellites are far more important than manned stunts.

I say they are hopelessly and dangerously wrong.

## Hidden...

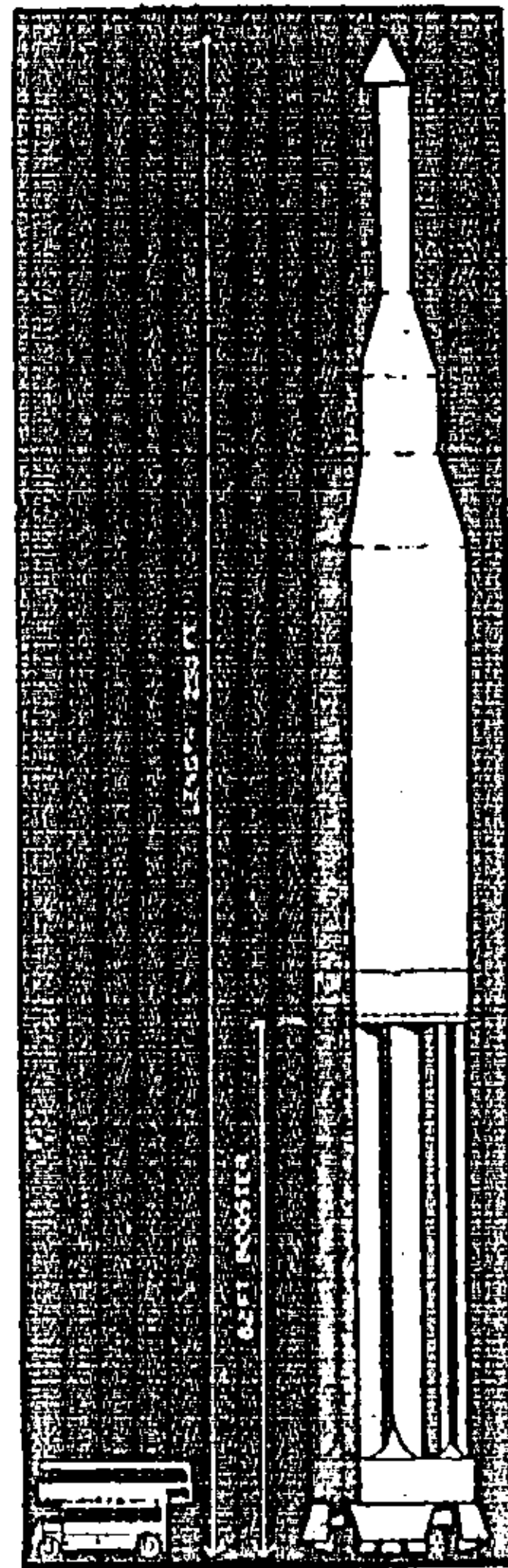
The U.S. and British taxpayers are not financing rocket-work so that scientists can have a technical jamboree. The harsh facts are that the Russian political leaders are harnessing space achievements to their objective of imposing their way of life on the world.

Balked of achieving their aims by military threat, the Kremlin leaders see the dazzling exploits of the Soviet missile men as a way of showing the rest of the world that their way of life pays dividends.

The tests of the Yuri Gagarin hide the grim rigours of a dictatorial system which those of us accustomed to liberty would find intolerable.

The only check to this spectacular propaganda for Communism will be a cosmic demonstration that the free West can do better.

The only foreseeable hope lies in leap-frogging the Russians to the moon with the Saturn rocket, which must be given the



NEXT to a London bus: America's Saturn rocket

utmost priority even at the expense of the penny-packet satellite shots which reap negligible prestige. (London Express Service).



"HI FELLAS—WHAT'S NEW?"

PARIS NEWS LETTER By SAM WHITE

## Mme Chanel's favourite model decides to marry

THE news as yet un-announced that 28-year-old Marie-Helene Arnaud is to marry, will rob Paris of a seemingly confirmed spinster

and the fashion house of Chanel of its most attractive asset.

The man she is to marry is the remarkably talented 34-year-old actor and film director Robert Hossein, the former husband of film star Marina Vlady.

Marie-Helene Arnaud occupies a unique position in the Paris fashion world. She is both a model and the coolly efficient manager of the Chanel establishment.

All the Chanel models are first tried on her and the entire Chanel collection is in effect built around her.

Three weeks ago the Count approached de Gaulle at a diplomatic reception—the only opportunity he has so far been given to talk to him—and appealed to him to ban a conference that was to be held in Paris on the fate of Spanish political prisoners.

The General's reply was one of his ominous grunts.

The conference duly took place but what was interesting was the facilities provided by the French for the secret arrival here and the safe return to Spain of several Spanish lawyers whose evidence was vital to the success of the conference.

In fact the Spanish delegates were met at the frontier by police cars which took them on to Paris and which repeated the journey when it was time for them to return.

## AN ORDEAL

Mlle. COCO CHANEL, now approaching 80, is devoted to her and her will is made out in her favour. Whether her marriage and the consequent departure from the house will change that, remains to be seen.

In any case the prospective bridegroom had to undergo the somewhat considerable ordeal of being presented to Mlle. Chanel.

This occurred in considerable secrecy after working hours when the rest of the staff had left and he was spirited up to a top floor flat above the Chanel salons to dine with her.

Her verdict on him unknown. Mlle. Arnaud is auburn-haired, slim and the very embodiment of Parisian chic.

She plays the part of a Paris career woman to perfection, even wearing horn-rimmed glasses—the colour of the riffs matches her hair—for what may be described as a de-glamorousing affectation.

A long sought-after beauty, she has never been married before or even ever given the slightest indication of a private life.

Her icy reserve, broken only occasionally by a fleeting smile which she bestows on those who please her, gives her an attractively enigmatic air.

Her marriage to Hossein will open a new career to her—that of film actress. This has long been her secret ambition which I understand her fiancé is only too anxious to help her fulfil.

## DE GAULLE AND FRANCO

LORD HOME'S forth-coming visit to Spain which had provoked criticism in Britain provides an opportunity for examining the state of General de Gaulle's relations with General Franco.

These are frigidly formal. General Franco has tried hard to break the ice but so far without any success.

Last year he moved his top ambassador Count de Motrico from Washington to Paris in the hope that this "exceptionally smooth operator" might effect a thaw.

The court postponed its judgment after Brigitte Bardot, Jean Marais or Michele Morgan rallied round Mme. Tual and produced the necessary amount to reimburse Mlle. Bourdin.

Can Mlle. Bourdin accept this virtual donation from her fellow stars? At the moment she is undecided.

"DANDY" RIM Waterfield, in prison for his part in the Warner Rivera Jewel theft, will be released at the end of this year, after having served only half his term. (London Express Service).

## THE DAY I HAD MY HEAD READ

By DAVID ASH

THE little woman in the red coat removed her spectacles and looked a little nervous as Mr Reddrop put a tape measure round her head and probed her skull with clinical fingers.

She had volunteered for Phenological Delineation. Or, as the layman might say, to have her head read. Mr Reddrop, a Fellow of the British Phenological Society, pointed out: "There are several new faces here tonight, and a public reading is always awkward. One is handicapped in what one can say."

His reading showed that the lady was very sensitive, but not

the type to show it self-critical and cautious; understanding, helpful, but firm. She said yes, that was about right, actually. There was applause.

## A LECTURE

It was her first visit to a Phenological Society meeting. And mine too. But there wasn't time for Mr Reddrop to study my cranial conformation (he dislikes the word "bumps"). The two dozen London members in the hall were waiting to hear a lecture by Miss W. M. Morgan, the society's president and skull class tutor.

But, briefly, the shape of the skull indicated the development or non-development of various parts and faculties of the brain.

Parents whose children had high-crowned heads showing over-assertiveness should try to correct this in infancy by encouraging good manners, gratitude, and understanding of other people's feelings.

## TAKE NOTE

A good point to look for was a full rounded contour of the Domestic and Social area at the base of the skull, which showed Philoprogenitiveness.

This means "love of family" and the area contains the "lullaby centre" which prompts a parent to rock a child-in-arms to sleep. Miss Morgan said: "It isn't possible to alter the size or shape of a brain centre, but you can learn to activate the under-used areas and modify the over-dominant ones."

Teachers should take note of hands, and not should employers. For instance, a farm worker needed a good back-head for domestic instincts and care of livestock.

## SENSITIVE

One of the sidesmen thanked Miss Morgan for "a phenomenological treat." She smiled and distributed some pamphlets about cruelty to broiler calves. Mr Reddrop said the May lecture would be "The Effect of Diet on Temperament."

The secretary, Miss Hedderley, told me: "I'm sure you won't write nasty things about us." "Your broad forehead and wide Perceptive Area shows you are too sensitive to do that." I blushed penitently, wondering if she just meant I had a big head, and made an appointment for a Phenological Delineation. (London Express Service).

## JACOBY on BRIDGE

HERE is another hand that has appeared before. It is my luckiest hand of all time and if anyone knows of a luckier hand I would like to see it.

I sat South and opened a spade in third seat. West might have bid seven hearts right away, but he felt that if he did that he would not be allowed to play it. So he merely doubled and, as you can see, contented himself with bidding five and six hearts at his next two turns to bid.

His bidding fooled me completely. I decided that he was defending and doubled the six heart bid, but now West could not stand prosperly. He redoubled! When I got back to me I took out my own double to six spades and West went to seven hearts.

At this point it finally became obvious that West was

## ♥♦CARD Sense♦♥

Q—The bidding has been:  
North East South West  
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3♥ Pass ?

You, South, hold:  
AKJ655 ♥K32 ♦A854 4♠  
What do you do?

A—If you feel ambitions did seven hearts, if you want to be scientific, bid five no-trump to ask for kings.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

You ask for kings. Your partner responds six clubs to show no kings. What do you now?

Answer Tomorrow

sitting there with 13 red cards, so I went to seven spades which West doubled.

What was so lucky about the hand? I made my bid! West opened the king of diamonds. I ruffed with dummy's eight; led the three of spades and finessed my six spot. Then I ruffed a second diamond, with the jack of trumps. Finessed my nine of spades. Ruffed my last diamond with dummy's queen of trumps. Came back to my hand with the ace of clubs. Drew East's last two trumps and discarded my losing hearts on dummy's long clubs.

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♠	None	975
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♦	103	
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♠	A432	
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"Their fast bowler always starts his run up to the wicket from here."







## CUP FINAL SENSATIONS

# The fateful day that Villa won the Cup and League

By Ivor Yorke

(This is the first of a series of six articles by Ivor Yorke recapturing the most dramatic moments in Cup Final history).

**Such speed, such skill. Never had football been played as it was in that 1897 Cup Final. Sixty-five thousand people—the biggest soccer crowd ever assembled—watched enthralled.**

The F.A. Cup competition was 25 years old and already an institution in the rapidly-growing world of big-time soccer. The attendance, which exceeded the previous Cup Final best by 20,000, was proof of the tournament's magic attraction.

## Favourite is withdrawn

Paris, Apr. 25. The Aga Khan's filly Opaline, the favourite for next Thursday's 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket, will not run in the race.

Mr Alec Head, the Aga Khan's trainer, told reporters that the filly had intestinal trouble.

Mr Head added: "It is only a temporary indisposition and will certainly not affect Opaline's racing career. I expect it to clear up fairly soon."

Opaline, who was quoted at 2-1 in ante-post lists, was to have been ridden by Australian Neville Sellwood—China Mail Special.

## CHARITY BOXING

Tingle's Athletic Institute is holding its annual charity boxing display at the Hongkong Cricket Club tomorrow at 5.15 pm. There will be no admission fee but a collection will be taken, the entire proceeds of which will go in aid of St James Settlement.

## Sports Diary

**TODAY**  
Presentation of Ladies' Recreation Club badminton prizes at 7 pm.  
1st Division: Kwong Wah v AFS (Club) 5.30 pm; Eastern v Caroline Hill (Police) 5.30 pm.  
2nd Division: Eastern v Caroline Hill (Police) 4 pm.  
**Meeting**  
HKFA Inter-Club Sub-Committee meeting at Sports Ground, 6 pm.  
**TOMORROW**  
HKAAA Executive Committee meeting, Education Dept, 5.30 pm.  
HKFA Council meeting at Sports Ground, 6 pm.  
**GOING**  
Shek O Club Ladies' Guests Day, Fik Competition, 9.15 am.

## NOTICE

**THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**

Special Cash Sweep on the HONG KONG DERBY  
Saturday, 6th May, 1961

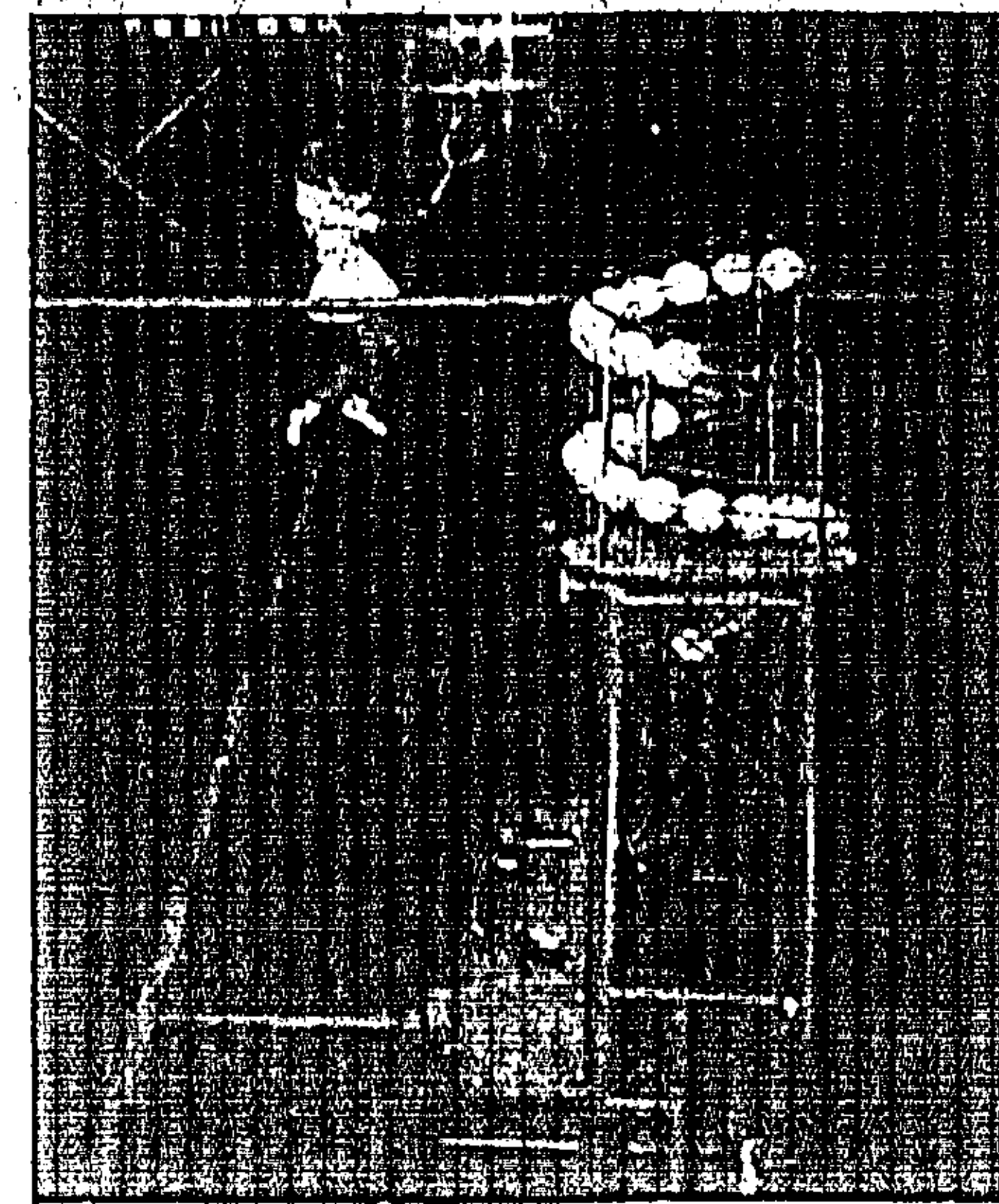
Over 500,000 tickets sold to date.

The sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close on Friday, 5th May, 1961, as follows:—

Prince's Building (Facing Statue Square) at 6.00 p.m.  
5, D'Aguilar Street at 5.00 p.m.  
King's Road, North Point at 4.00 p.m.  
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 4.00 p.m.

By Order of the Stewards,  
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## Robot tennis player



Robbie, the robot tennis player, who cost £100, stands in the Huddersfield Territorial Drill Hall, and fires off 40 balls a minute with all the speed of Lew Hoad, plus card-index accuracy. Commented a soldier: "What a weapon—if it could throw grenades." But Robbie is used for a somewhat more peaceful purpose, helping Sally Houldsworth to reach the top as a tennis player. Said 17-year-old Sally: "My father bought Robbie a year ago. He has been a terrific help. The main advantage over human opponents is his terrific accuracy." Robbie can hurt 40 balls one after the other, in precisely the same direction, or he can be geared to shoot at different angles and speeds. Picture shows: Robot Robbie serves an ace to Sally Houldsworth.—Express Photo.

## Ambassadors of Football contest

The standings in the Hongkong Ambassadors of Football contest, including yesterday's votes, are as follows:

## UAR wins at table tennis

Cairo, Apr. 25.

The U.A.R. today defeated Nigeria 5-0 in a friendly table tennis match.

UAR champion Fawzi el Nebrashi beat West African singles champion Mudashiru Alagbada 21-12, 21-10.

K. Sadiqua of the Nigerian team said his team was unlucky and will try to do our best in the coming games.

The Nigerian team arrived here on Friday from Peking where they represented Nigeria at the world table tennis championships. They are scheduled to play two more matches here.

## PI bicycle marathon

Manila, Apr. 25.

Seventy-two cyclists, including eight from South Korea, pedalled off today on the 1,354-mile tour of Luzon bicycle marathon.

The cyclists will compete for cash prizes amounting to 41,000 pesos (2,740) during the 13-day marathon.

The prize is 5,000 pesos (£892 sterling). The Koreans were the only foreigners in the tour.

Most of them are Olympics and Asian Games veterans.

## UK football results

London, Apr. 25.

Results of football league matches played tonight were:

**Division 2**  
Leeds 2 Souththorpe 2  
**Division 3**  
Brentford 0 Port Vale 0  
Grimsby 0 Bournemouth 0  
Watford 3 Southend 1  
**Division 4**  
Doncaster 2 Mansfield 2  
Northampton 1 Accrington 1  
Oldham 1 Crewe Alexandra 0  
Southport 3 Peterborough 3

Boyle, their right-half, took a free-kick close in and in the scramble that followed Hartley got a foot to the ball and scored.

Two-one. Villa countered with fast, speedy attacks.

In the 38th minute Villa were awarded a free-kick. James Crabtree, their left-half, took it and it was their turn to force the ball into the net with inside-left Freddie Wheldon applying the finishing touch.

## RECORD

Thus one record had already been created. Never before had the losing finalists scored more than a single goal. Now, with the result still in the balance, each side had scored twice.

Villa took the lead again on the stroke of half-time. A perfect header from a right-wing-left Freddie Wheldon applying the finishing touch.

The break came as a relief for players and spectators, exhausted by the excitement. Came the second half and battle was recommenced with renewed vigour.

Deceit by a strong, backwing wind and inspired by the indefatigable John Bell, the Everton forwards kept up relentless attack. Whitehouse, in the Villa goal, spent most of the time either diving to or picking himself up from the ground.

Finally, inside-left Edgar Chadwick, through—on his own and fired in a shot that seemed hooked for the back of the net—until Whitehouse brought off another superb save.

That was Everton's last chance. The final whistle found Villa clutching to their precious lead. The Earl of Rosebery, presenting the trophy to John Devey, Villa's captain, spoke of the "Olympian struggle" he had just seen.

## DECISIVE

While Villa were engaged in winning this Olympian struggle another decisive soccer event was taking place up in the Lancashire industrial town of Bury. There, the home side administered a 1-0 league defeat on D-mog.

So on the afternoon of April 10, 1897, Aston Villa clinched the Cup Final and the League Championship.

They finished the season in fitting style. The final tally saw them eleven points clear of their nearest rivals.

With seven Cup Final victories to their credit Villa have now won the trophy more times than any other club in the country.

Another factor has added to Villa's Cup tradition: the astonishing number of times that the team which has beaten them in an early round has gone on to win the Final.

It happened again last season, and the season before. Now, wonder they say in soccer that the team which beats Villa wins the Cup.

Tottenham Hotspur, 2-0 winners at Villa Park in the fifth round this season, now stand 80 minutes away from proving the saying again—and of equalling Villa's 64-year-old record of achieving the double.

Tomorrow: When Spurs were the underdogs.

## Football clean-up campaign urged

dear sir

I presume that the H. K. F. A. was officially represented at the football match on Sunday between Police and Rowloon Motor. But and that a report will be submitted to the Association on this game. In the event that this presumption is incorrect, I should like as a paying spectator to make known to the H.K.F.A. through the medium of the press and as a matter of general interest my sheer disgust at the sorry spectacle perpetrated in the name of a Boundary Street last Sunday. All the more so because one of the teams represents the H.K. Police Force which we associated with a high degree of discipline and self control. Both of these attributes were conspicuous by their absence and it is difficult to understand why the team officials didn't take to ensure the players concerned. If they did then it should be clear what to do next!

Having been associated with the game in Hongkong both as a player and spectator for more than a decade, seldom, if ever, have I witnessed such a combination of sub-standard football, indiscriminate fouling, complete contempt for the referee and such weak and ineffectual control exercised by the referee—all in one game. The playing conditions may not have been conducive to good football but no effort was made by either team to adapt themselves to these conditions. Instead we witnessed a series of personal vendettas, much whistle blowing but little firm action by the referee until late in the second half when he booked several players and in the last 15 seconds of the game sent off the Police outside left. What did he think he had achieved by this belated action? The game had fallen to its lowest depths long before and in this writer's judgment the referee would have been completely justified if he had abandoned the game.

This sorrowful exhibition must be added to a long line of footballing incidents on the home front in recent years which surely, sooner or later, must spark the local football administrators into a long awaited clean-up campaign. It has been said before and can bear saying again that since the departure of Sir Arthur Morse and Mr Jack Skinner the administration of the game and playing skill have

steadily deteriorated. At the present time the H.K.F.A. faces a challenge—a challenge to re-establish its authority, its integrity and character and its ability to handle footballing matters in the best interests of clubs, players and the paying public alike.

What is holding it back? If one were to believe all the rumours in circulation, the H.K.F.A. is slowly drowning in a cesspool of intrigue, regional rivalry, and power politics. What place these unsavoury subjects could have in administering a sport such as football I cannot guess and one would like to believe them to be a figment of someone's imagination.

However, it would be futile to blithely accept all the things that cloud the soccer scene here in Hongkong. The time has come for positive action by men of courage without regard for personal prestige and reward. If the axe must fall on officials and players who seek to discredit the authority of the Association, for whatever purpose it may be, let it be wielded unrelentingly. We can do without the scallied soccer stars if need be and they should be made aware of this. Elsewhere, particularly in Europe soccer is striding forward. In England the "wind of change" has certainly blown new ideas and a new refreshing atmosphere into football there. Having recently returned from that country I have seen the new approach to the game. In comparison we are far behind but what is more important we are lacking that sense of

purpose and urgency combined with a blue print to revitalize and re-educate Hongkong's footballers. I feel sure I express the opinion of the "man in the street" who keeps the turn-stiles ticking over, when I urge the H.K.F.A.—

(a) to stamp out ruthlessly if necessary, all dirty play by penalizing players with life suspensions in appropriate cases;  
(b) to fill all "revue" games and "bring to book" Clubs whose players engage in on the field activities designed to influence the result of a game;  
(c) to enlist the services of the Government Tax Department to examine the books of unofficial sponsors connected with some Clubs to eliminate as far as possible payments in excess of legitimate expenses;

(d) reverse the apparent policy of appeasement in matters of football administration and adopt a tough "no nonsense" policy with all clubs irrespective of whom it affects; and  
(e) consider engaging annually a summer coach from England to give added impetus to the work of the Association's official local coach.

The knowledgeable people in our football fraternity may find nothing new in these suggestions but at least if some were implemented we might have more worthy football to grace the fine stadia in Hongkong. For good reason I must remain.

12th MAN.

## World of sport

By JOHN COTTRELL

**Beware of "Morty." That's my warning to the globe-trotting tennis girls now converging on Britain at the start of the two-month tune-up for the Wimbledon Championships.**

The European outdoor season is now getting seriously under way with the opening of the British Hard Court Championships in Bournemouth. Stars on parade include American champions Darlene Hard, Britain's Ann Haydon, back from an impressive Caribbean tour, and Christine Truman, only girl to take a set from Maria Bueno at last year's Wimbledon.

These three, plus Sandra Reynolds (South Africa) and fast-improving Karen Hantze (United States), are regarded as the chief challengers to Mrs Bueno in her bid to score a hat-trick of Wimbledon singles victories.

But don't forget "Morty," otherwise slim, 20-year-old "orgasmic girl" of tennis, she shook the experts by reaching the Wimbledon final of 1959. And she could be the big surprise packet again this season. In that Wimbledon final, she

missed her life's ambition of holding a point for the first set against Althea Gibson. Now Mrs Mortimer has little hope of winning through this arduous championship, but she can still cause plenty of upsets.

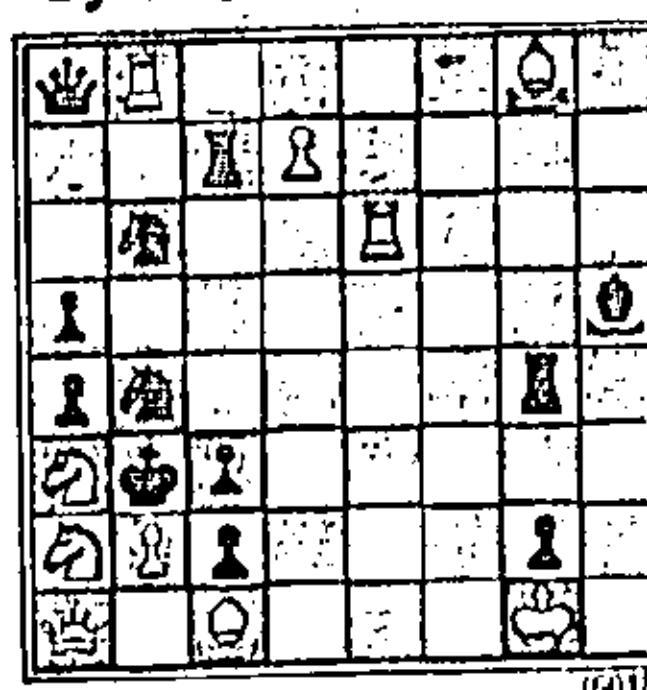
Within four weeks of this year, four determined Anglians has won four major covered court titles—those of Germany, France, Scandinavia, and Great Britain. Her victims included Ann Haydon (twice) and Christine Truman.

While she lacks the power to be regarded as a great threat on the fast grass of Wimbledon, Mrs Mortimer's consistent, deadly accurate baseline game can still wear down the greatest of players on covered and hard courts.

She has beaten such Wimbledon champions as Doris Hart, Shirley Fry and Althea Gibson. And she has won the British Hard Court title at Bournemouth three times—in 1955, 1956 and 1959.

## CHESS

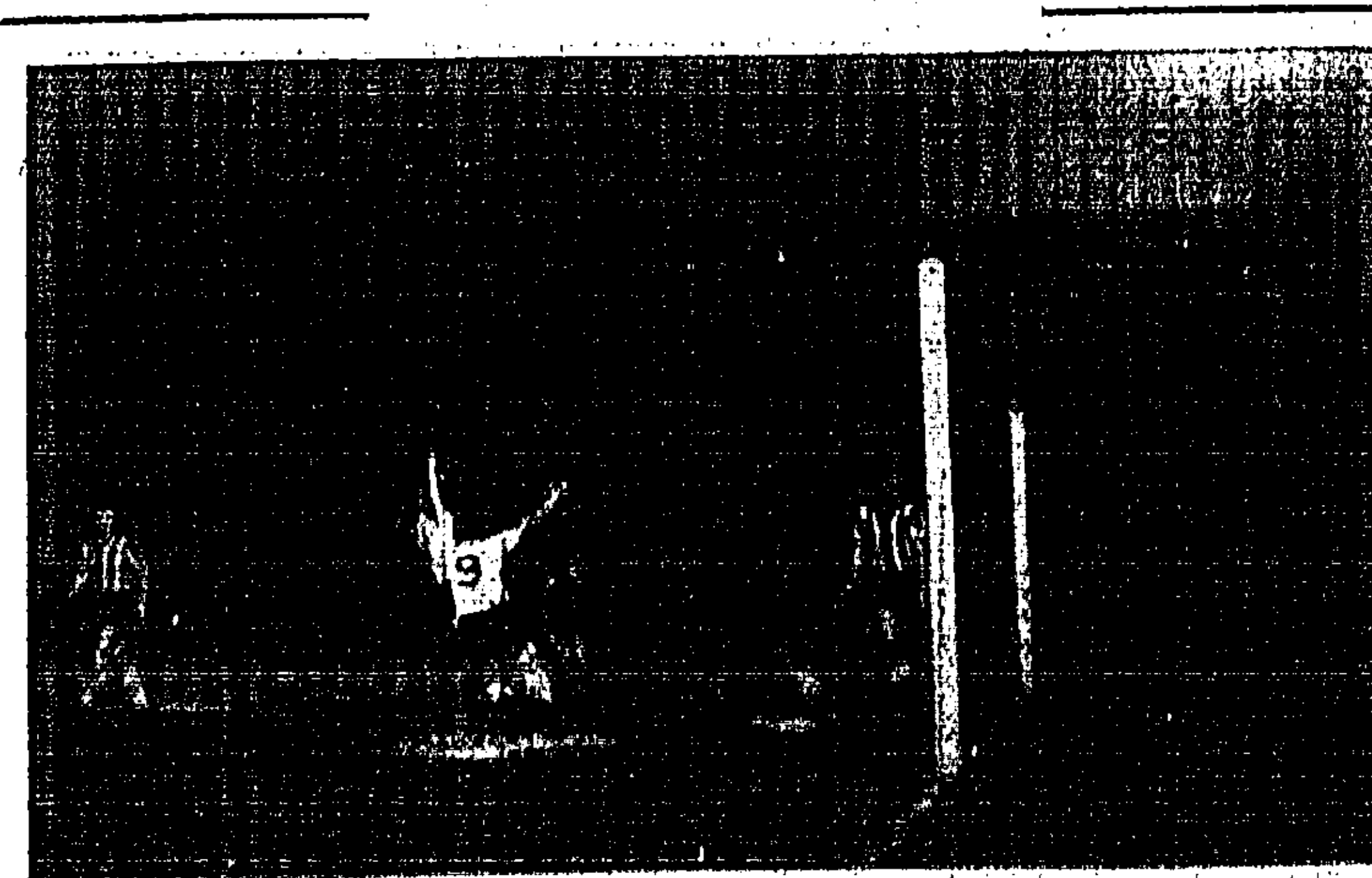
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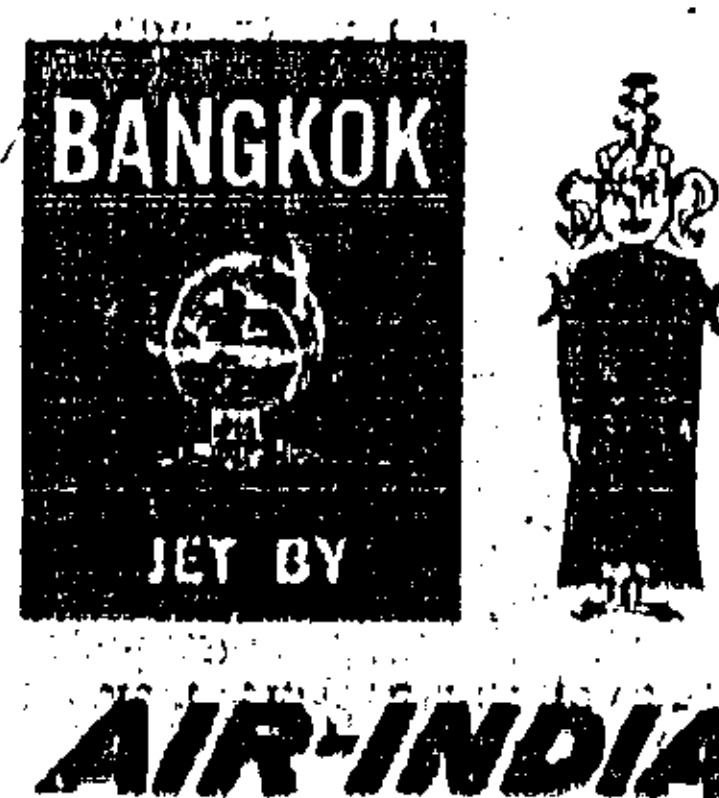
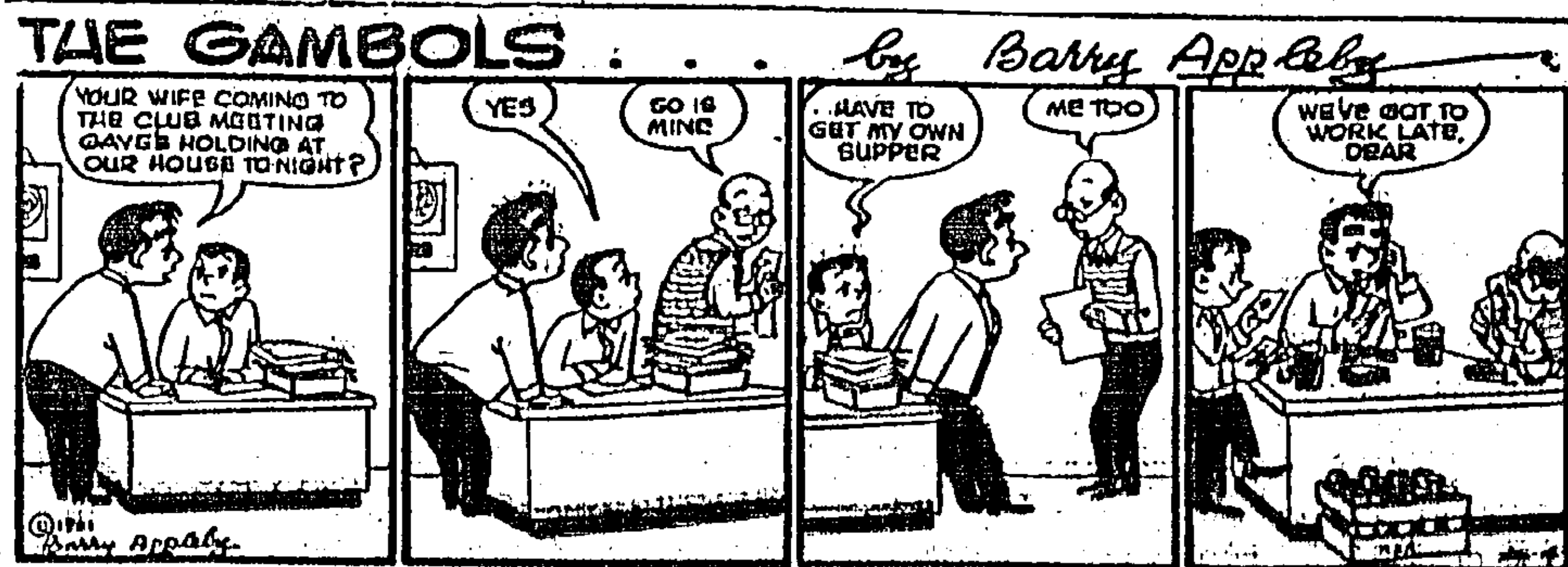
Here is a problem by G. Guidelli (Good Companions, 1951). White to play and mate in two moves.

London Express Service.

## The championship goal



Picture shows: The goal that made the score Tottenham 2, Sheffield Wednesday 1, and clinched the championship for Spurs. Les Allen scored it, and Bobby Smith (No 9, and who scored the Spurs' first goal) jumps for joy.—Express Photo.







ABOVE: Happy Valley and Tung Wah drew 3-3 in a First Division football match at the Hongkong Stadium on Sunday. Tung Wah led 2-1 at half-time. Photo shows Tung Wah's second goal being scored (by Lo Kwok-tai not in picture), while Lai Chin-kau rushes to the net in an attempt to save the goal.—China Mail Photo.



ABOVE: A scene during the annual sports day of Tingle's Athletic Institute held at the Hongkong Cricket Club on Saturday. A memorial garden to the late Mrs Frances Owen-Hughes was opened in the Club grounds on the same occasion.—China Mail Photo.

RIGHT: Kowloon won the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association's triangular match at the Hongkong Stadium on Saturday. Second were the 18 Infantry Brigade and last were Hongkong. T. Robertson (Hongkong) is seen winning the 800 metres event in 2 mins 5 seconds.—China Mail Photo.



The Queen smilingly shakes hands with the England soccer captain, inside left Johnny Haynes of Fulham, as she presents the British International Championship Trophy to him at Wembley Stadium recently. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh had watched England score a 9-3 victory over Scotland.

Haynes—like the other players—was wearing a black armband as a tribute to the memory of Mr Arthur Drewry, the FA Chairman who died recently.—Express Photo.

#### SPORTING SAM . . . . . by Reg. Wootton



## SPORTS PICTORIAL



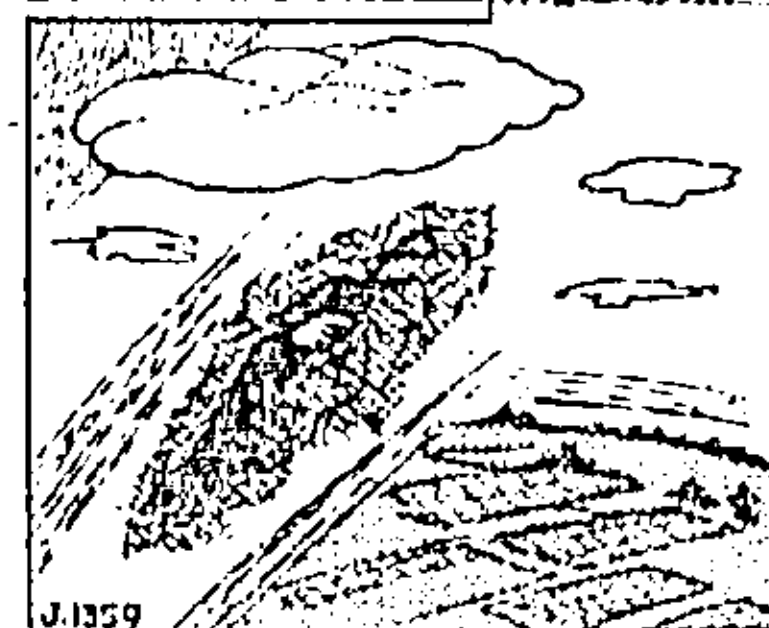
ABOVE: Mr Y. K. Cheng's Native Prince won the St George's Cup race over 1 1/4 miles at the Royal Hongkong Jockey Club meeting on Saturday. Photo shows from left to right Sir Sik-nin Chau, Mr A. H. Potts, Mr D. Brittan Evans, Mr Alex Lam (the winning jockey), Mr J. F. Macgregor, Mr A. H. Penn, Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mrs Cheng and Mr Y. K. Cheng after presentation of the award.—China Mail Photo.



RIGHT: Mr R. R. Coombs (left) "drove-in" as new captain of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling on Sunday. His drive was retrieved by one of the caddies. The caddy is seen receiving the traditional reward.—China Mail Photo.

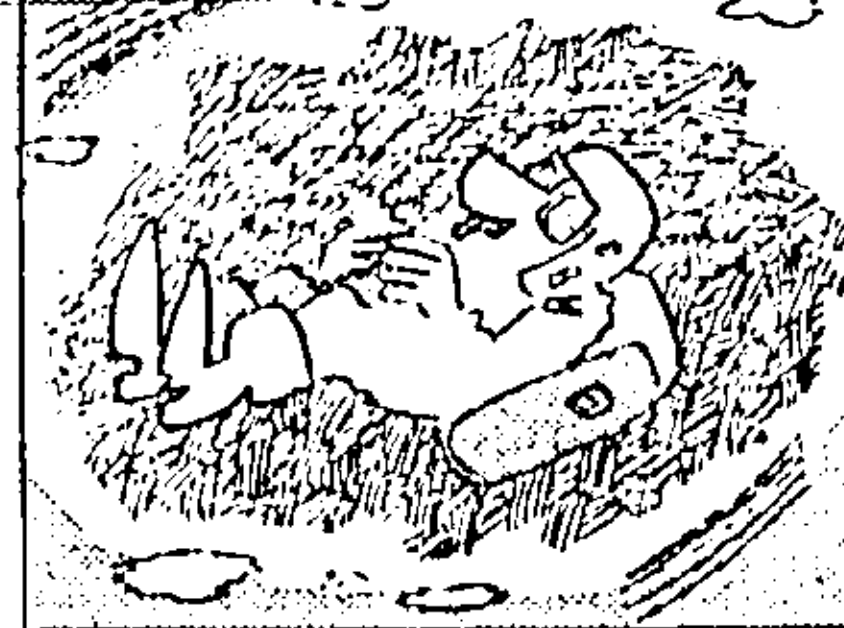
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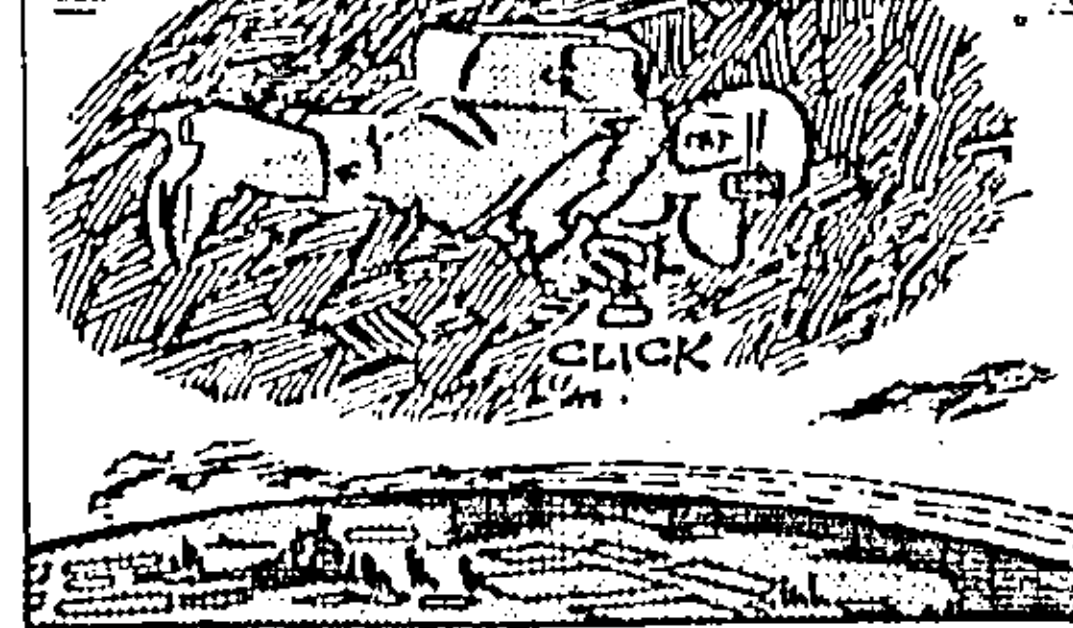
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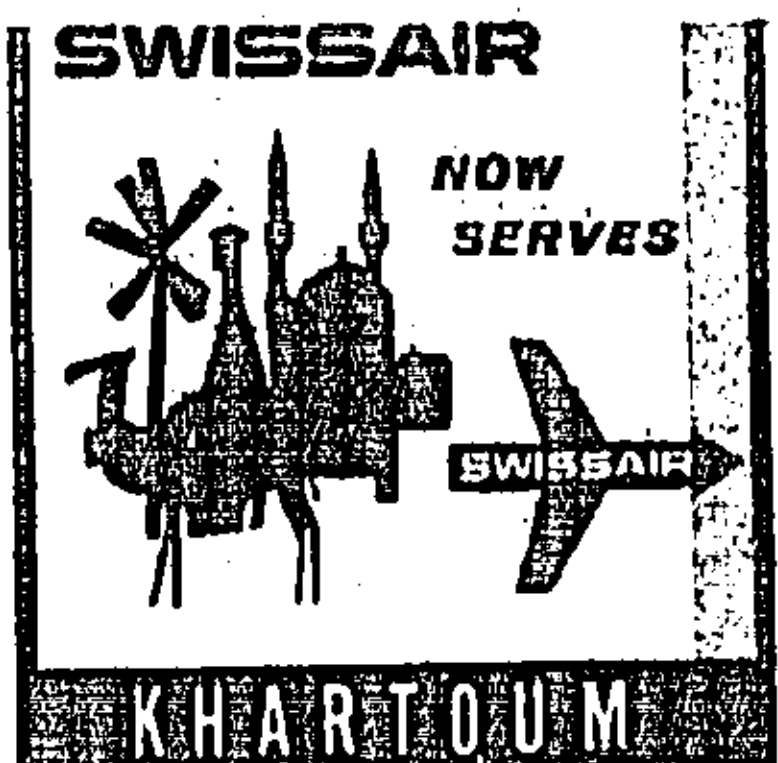
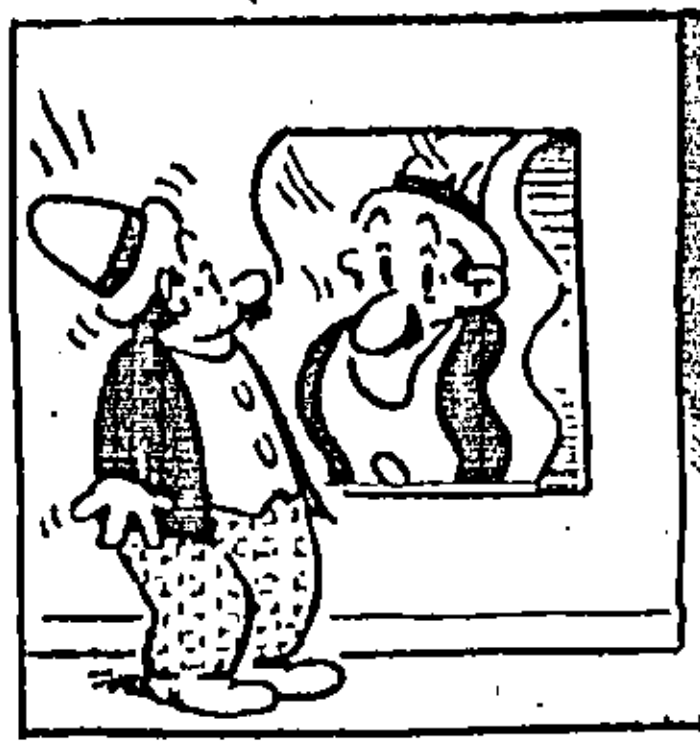
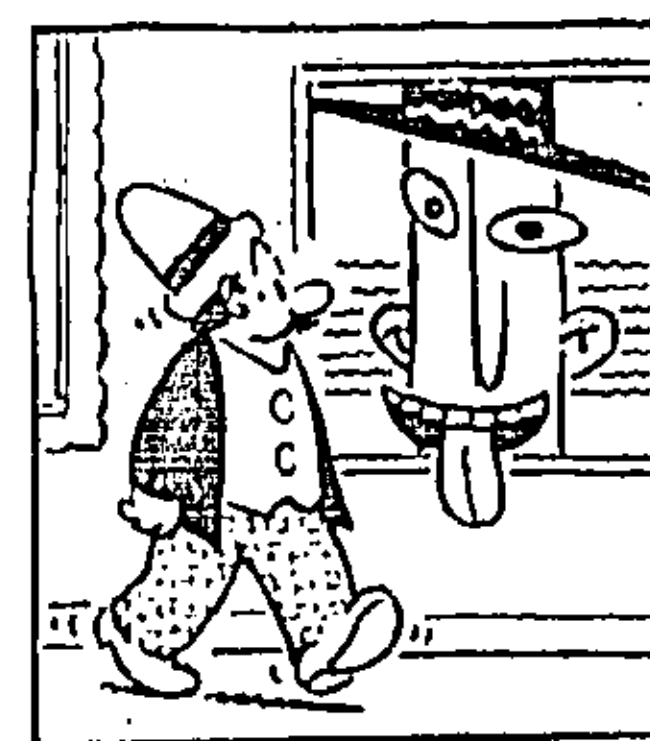
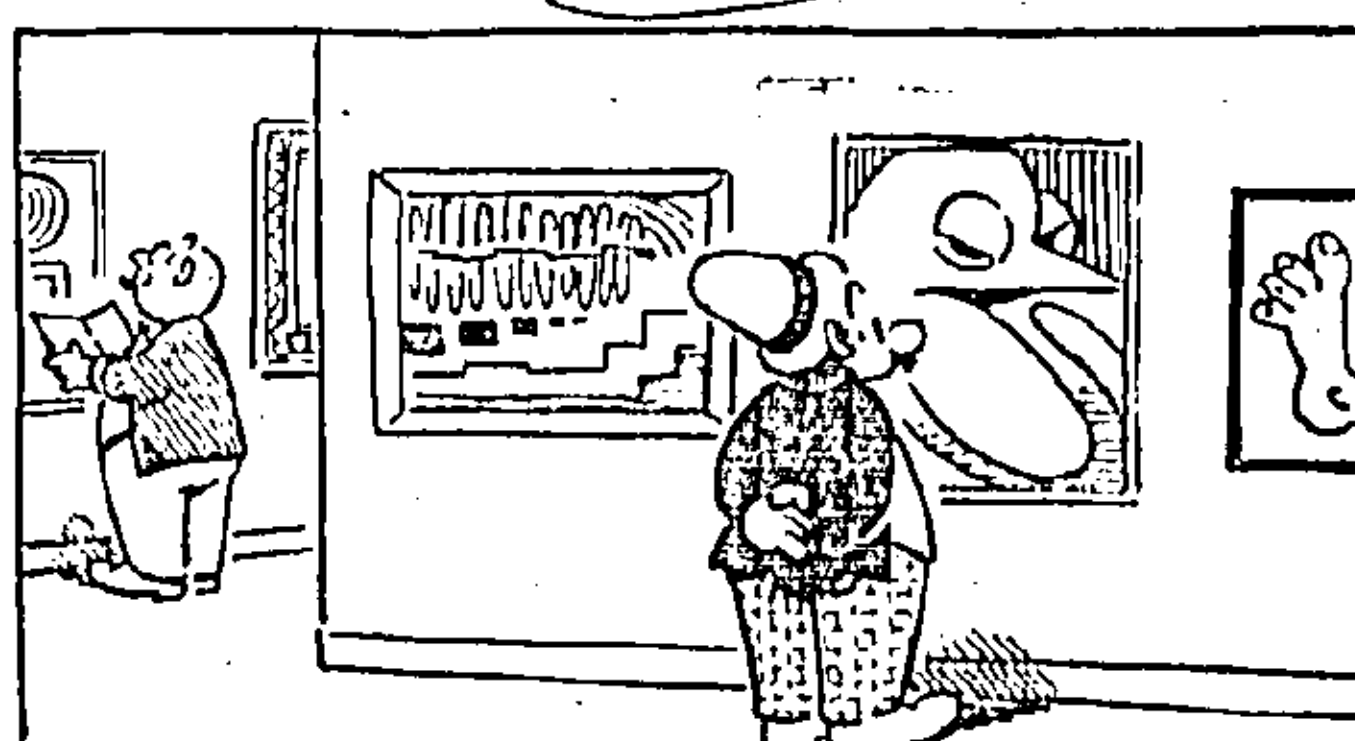
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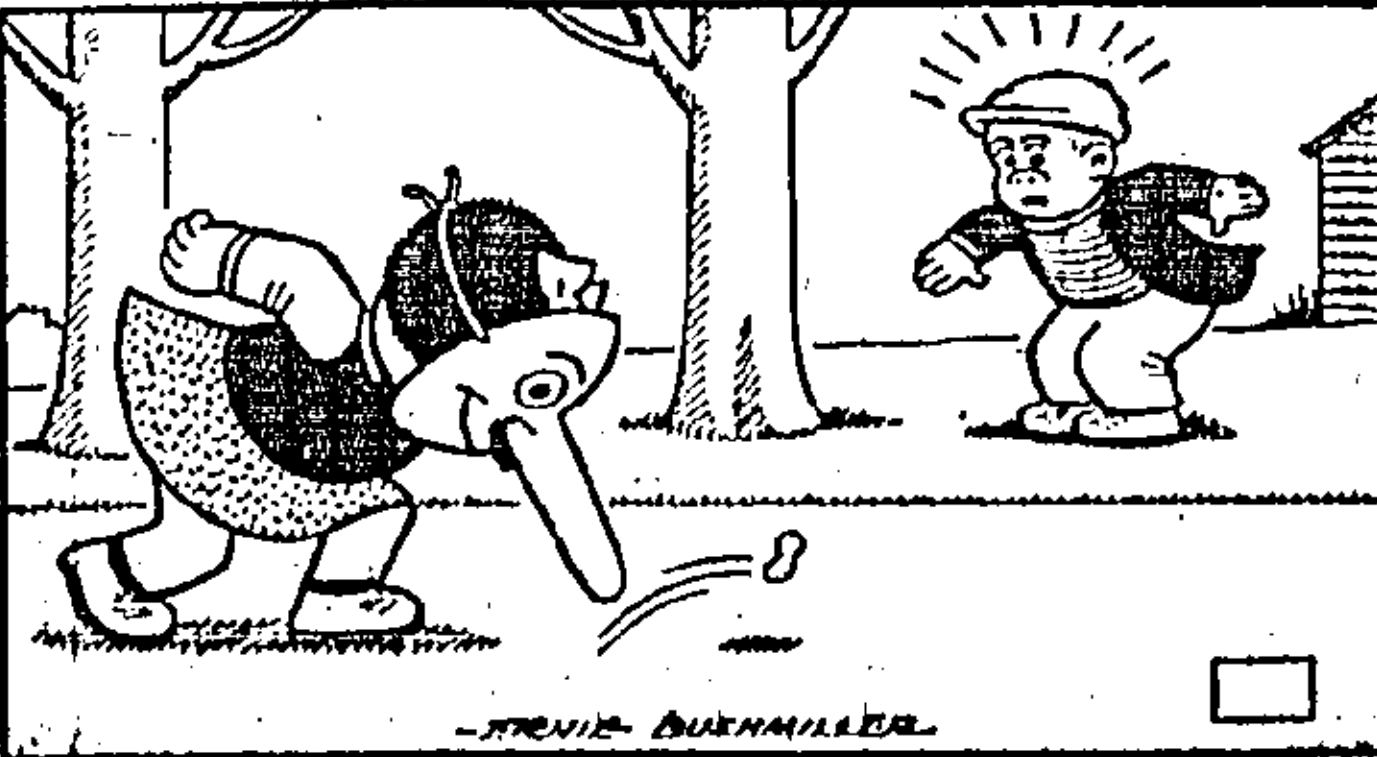
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